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1/20/88

Dear Eric –

Please don't throw up your hands in alarm. I was on jury duty for two weeks, as you know, and I began the usual slow, odd travel home.

I think that by now checking will be unknown and indeed an having unquestionably destroyed and, in fact, correct. Please see, as you already know, a group of questionable which can only be verified by signature. Congressman on a old travel sequence. I have obtained the volume listing all state and local historical societies and will get on touch with them, knowing my solution does not have apparent approval in the 1980 billion to provide receipts of $10 with

signature that would go into the designation
so as that I will be able to expand
our publishing performance. I would
appreciate your kind consideration
of your [illegible] time.

By giving a library a sample
presence of a library would require of
[illegible] issues on a 3 x 5 card. Each
library, as I [illegible] for a grant on the
same card. [illegible] Library Bibliography
① 3 x 5 ② Apple Issue ③ [illegible] Dictionary
of the American Language ④ Webster's
[illegible] Dictionary and ⑤ [illegible] Numerous
[illegible] Library. I am able to
[illegible] the pronunciation spellings of
[illegible] and [illegible] and debut
performances of [illegible]. At the same
time, [illegible] would be good on the
[illegible] card as one [illegible] of the
[illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]
of [illegible] by signature [illegible]. At
[illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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any questions in my mind, I have not set forth the distinctions in the positive category.

A large portion of the questions on initials and spellings plus signature congressmen possibly would be eliminated by your reviewing of your collection. But the single biggest "question" concerning is the allocation dates and given names of the Continental Currency issues I have not yet been able to find. As yet, I don't know how to attack the problem effectively.

I also am concerned with the time element involved

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Best Regards

Joe

Massachusetts Currency Signers

	Issues of Currency Signed	Member Continental Congress	Signer Articles of Confed.	Other Accomplishments
Samuel Dexter II	5/6/50, 1754 Mass. Bank; 12/2/54 Mass. Bank	1780-84		Commanded a company at Minute men at Lexington & Concord (Appletons) U.S. Postmaster Gen'l 1789-91 (Webster's B. Dict.) Speaker of the House New York State 1801-2 (Appletons)
Samuel A. Otis	6/18/70	1785-8		Secretary U.S. Senate 1789 - 1814
George Partridge	6/18/70, 1/8/71, 10/1/71 1771	1775-80 1783-1784		U.S. Congress Representative 1789-1790
[illegible] Swan	6/2/50			Secretary of State [illegible] Lexington [illegible]

Nathaniel Bij[illegible]	1752	Owner of proprietary and an original settler of Bristol, R I. Speaker of House of Reps of Mass Prov. (Appleton)
Henry Gardner	5/25/75 ; 7/8/75	Treasurer of 1st New England Provincial Congress - 1775 (Appleton)
John Leverett	1702	President of Harvard 1707 Speaker of the Colonial Legislature (Appleton's)
Anthony Oliver	1740	Stamp Officer for Stamp Act 1765-71; Lt-Gov Mass 1771-4 (Appleton's)
Samuel Sewall	1708, 1710, 1711, 1713; 1714-40	Presiding judge in Salem witchcraft cases 1697 (Appleton's)
(died 1730) - [illegible] Samuel Sewall's [illegible] 1733-[illegible] issues		
Penn Townsend	1709; 1710; 1711; 1713; 1714-40	Speaker - Lower Provincial House (Appleton's)

Name & dates
Need of

James Bowdoin	1760 Mass Bank	
Bowdoin Sr [illegible] - [illegible]		Appts 1705-7
Bowdoin Jr [illegible] - [illegible]		[illegible]

Mass

Abraham Fuller 5/25/75; 7/8/95
is he the same as
A. Fuller 6/18/76

Samuel Watts 1740; 1741
is he the same as
S. Watts 1744; 1750

Samuel Wells 1733; 1740
is he the same as
S. Wells 1744

J. Willard 1714-40; 1737; 1741; 1742; 1744
is this Josiah Willard,
Secy of Mass June 1717 - Dec 6, 1756 ?

New Hampshire Currency Signers

	Issues Signed	Member Continental Congress	Signer of U.S. Constitution	Other Accomplishments
Nicholas Gilman	8/20/75; 7/25/75; 8/24/75; 11/3/75; 1777 (undated)	1786-89 (President of the Congress)	✓ (Webster's Bio Dict)	U.S. Congressional Representative 1789-1797; U.S. Senator 1805-1814 (Bio Dict & Congress)
Phillips Wheelwright	1/24/76; 8/23/76; 7/3/76	1782-83 (President of the Congress)		
George Jaffrey	5/20/17; 5/20/17 (undated) 1714; 5/20/17 (undated) 1717; 5/20/17 (undated) 1724, 5, 6 & 7; 5/20/17 (undated) 1727; 12/25/30; 5/3/32 (undated) 1743; (undated) 1744(5)			Treasurer N.H.; Chief Justice N.H. (Provincial)

Possible Add'l Signer	John Salmon	5/20/19, 5/20/19 redated 1714, 5/20/17 redated 1717	One of Royal Councillors of N.H. following its separation from Mass in 1680
Addendum			
	Richard Wibird	4/3/55 redated 6/1/56	Delegate to 2nd Colonial Congress 1754

Errata & Questions

New Hampshire

N. Emery 6/28/76
is this also
Noah Emery 1777 handwritten date

Eleazer Russell 4/3/42 redated 1743
is this the same as
Eleazer Russell 4/3/42 redated 1744(5)

William Vaugh_ 1709
should this be Vaughn; a
Vaughn family was prominent
in early N.H. history

p. 166 Sheafe should precede
Sherburne

New Jersey Currency Signers

	Issues Signed	Other Signers	Other Elections
David Brearley	8/7/86, 1781 (1/2 [illegible])		[illegible] 1777-89
only a possible signer William Burnett	7/2/46 7/2/46 6/22/56	1750-81	
Abraham Clark	2/20/76	1771-79 1779-83 1788-97 (Delegates, B. Dict.) B. Direct Am Congress)	US Congress Representative 1791-1794 (Ex. Dir - Am Congress)
John Hart	2/20/76; 3/25/76	1776 (Dir. Direct. & Am. Congress) (Delegates, B. Dict.)	
Richard Smith	12/31/63	1774-76 B. Direct Am. Congress)	US Congress 1781
Philemon Dickinson	6/9/86, 1781 (1/2 [illegible])	(1782-3) Dir. Dir. & Am. Congress } Confer [illegible]	

John Stevens [illegible] 3-7

1768 - 1770 per Appleton

1770 - 1792 per Bio Dict of Am

1792 - Congress in the following

Seems most probably accurate; his son, John Stevens Jr signed NY 1/25/98

Questions & Errata

William Burnet as above was member Continental Congress 1780-81; however, if signature is William Burnett (2 "t"s), the above listing should be deleted.

Questions and Errata

James Ewing 1784 (12/20/83 Act)
is he also
J. Ewing 1786

Hugh Hartshorn — should it
be Hartshorne — see p. 183 1/26/56;
also signed 6/22/56; 4/12/57; 6/14/57; 11/20/57;
5/1/58; 4/12/60

Andrew Johnston 3/25/33
is he also
A. Johnson 1/26/56
or is the latter
A. Johnston 4/12/57; 11/20/57; 5/1/58; 10/20/58;
4/10/59; 4/12/60; 4/23/61; 4/8/62

Daniel Smith Jr 5/15/55; 9/8/55
is he also
Daniel Smith 4/10/59; 4/12/60

Errata

p. 192 David Brearley; not Bearley

p. 190 John Smyth, etc not in alphabetical order

p. 180 Kaper, should precede Kearney

p. 181 Hewlings should precede Smith Jr.

p. 19 Stamp Act Congress
Hendrick Fisher did not sign NY 6/9/80;
he signed NS 2/20/76

[illegible] Mayors

		Dates of Appointment	Dates of Service	Source	Other Posts
(7)	Philip Livingston	9/2/55	[illegible]	[illegible]	Member Board of Regents, Columbia College, [illegible]
(8)	John Morin Scott	4/2/59	[illegible]		
(9)	Cornelius Beekman	1/8/20, 7/2/23, 7/7/24, 7/2/25			Mayor of Albany of New York 1730 (Appleton's)
(10)	John Cruger (Mayor 1744)	7/1/40, 7/2/41, 1/28/43, 7/2/43, 7/2/44, 7/2/45, 1/22/46, 1/8/47			Mayor New York, Prior 1739-1740 (Appleton's)
(11)	John Cruger (1761-1765)	4/22/55	[illegible]		Mayor New York, [illegible] (Appleton's)

(4)	[illegible] (Johannes [illegible]) 1738-[illegible]	[illegible] 1/6/76; 3/5/76	1764 (Appleton's)
(5)	Johannes De Peyster	5/31/04, 11/1/[illegible]; 11/29/[illegible]; 7/20/[illegible]	Mayor of New York [illegible] Early 1760's (Appleton's)
(8)	Robert R Livingston	4/20/56	Member Stamp Act Congress (Harper's Encyclo
(6)	Leonard Lispenard	9/15/55	Member Stamp Act Congress (Harper's Encyclo

Questions Concerning New York Currency

EPN
pp.

213 & 215 Andrew Gantier — should it be Andrew Gautier

218 Heyer — not in alphabetical order

W. Hicks 8/25/74; 8/2/75 N.Y.C. — could this be Whitehead Hicks
Mayor of New York 1766-76

Is Robert Livingston, Jr. 11/10/26 the same as Robert Livingston — 5/10/74
The first Robert Livingston died 1725

A. Lott 2/16/71 — is he the same as Abraham Lott 3/5/76
— my signature comparison would say yes

p. 210 Jacob Sefforts 8/25/74 — could this be
Jacob Lefferts — the latter is more likely,
but I cannot find a Jacob Lefferts nor
a Sefferts family

p. 204 Philip Van Courtland 10/20/30 — If he was a member
of the famous family the standard spelling
is Van Cortlandt

J. Watts, Jr 8/25/74; 8/2/75; 1/6/76 N.Y.C. apparently is
John Watts — member U.S. House of Representatives
1793-5 (dropped Jr. after father's death)

p. 213 J. H. Watts Jr. 1/6/76 N.Y.C. is apparently an error. I have
a 1/6/76 shilling piece signed J. Watts, Jr

p. 219 Hendrick Wyckoff 2/5/88 not properly alphabetized

pp. 212 & 213 G. Brownton 8/2/75; 1/6/76 — I believe it should be
G. Brewerton. The Brewerton family of New York City
had the #2 man in the 2nd West Point Class 1819

Questions Cards

New York Currency

EPN page					
214	W. DePeyster, Jr. 3/5/76 could be expanded to Wm G DePeyster, Jr from the signature on a note in my possession				
214	I have a #6 3/5/76 with a signature I believe to be W. Willson, Jr				

North Carolina Currency Signers

			Member Continental Congress	Other Posts
Richard Caswell	12/-/75 Act; 12/-/71 Act 8/21/75; 1775 (8/8/75) Act 1780 (8/8/78 Act)		1774 -76 (Bio Dict Am Cong)	Gov. N.C. 1776-80; 1785-8 (Bio Dict Am Cong)
Benjamin Hawkins	1775 (8/5/75 Act) 1780 (8/8/78) Act		1781-4 1786-7 (Bio Dict Am Cong)	U.S. Senator 1789-95 (Bio Dict Am Cong)
John Williams	Continental Currency		1778-9 (Bio Dict Am Cong)	Signer of Articles of Confederation (Websters Bio Dict)

Questions on North Carolina Currency

EGN page	
	Richard Caswell 12/-/68; 12/-/71; 8/21/75 — Is he the same as R. Caswell 1774 (8/8/74 Act); 1780 (5/5/78 Act)
228	Sam_ Johnston 8/21/75 — I believe the illustrated signature to be Saml Johnston Member CC 1780-5 Gov. N.C. 1787-8 U.S. Senator 1789-93
230	(initial) ___ Machilwien — I have a $5 note of this issue with the probable initial W. Machilwien
223, 224, 225	John Starkey 4/4/48; 3/9/54; 7/14/60; 4/23/61 I believe John Sharkey 1756-7; 1757-8; 1758-9; 1759 should also be John Starkey — Illustration p.224 shows Starkey signs as Pub. Treasurer. On p.225, although not clear, it looks like he, not Sharkey signed again as Pub. Treas. Illustration p.226 of 7/14/60 note shows John Starkey clearly again. It seems unlikely that a Sharkey would ever replace Starkey as Public Treasurer for such a short period
p.232	I have a $50 5/10/90 bill with a signature that looks like Grein, Jr.

Comments by North Carolina specialist & collector 1/11/74

(1) Richard Caswell and R. Caswell — The signatures look as if they are the same, from this available collection of bills

(2) Sam_ Johnston is Saml (Samuel Johnston)

(3) Machilwien — no data available — Immediately well known to go to his bank safe

(4) Starkey is correct throughout

Pennsylvania — County Signers

Issues Signed		Used in Continental Congress	Signer of Continental Congress	Signer of Independence	Other Posts
John B. Bayard	Continental Currency; 1/3/74	1773-7			[illegible] 1775-1801
Matthew Clarkson	Continental Currency; 5/11/15; 12/3/[illegible]	1773-6			U.S. Congress, General Court 1787-1791
George Clymer	5/5/24	1773-3	✓	✓	
Joseph Galloway	5/1/60	1773-5			Speaker Penna. Assembly 1766-74 Pa. Loyalists
Joseph Gardner	Continental Currency; 4/[illegible]	1774-5			
Charles Humphreys	5/1/20; 4/3/72	1774-6			
Samuel Meredith	4/20/91 also Continental Currency	1787-8			Treasurer U.S. 1789 1789-1801
Thomas Mifflin	3/20/71	1774-6; 1776-4	✓ (Phila. Dist.) 0.1771		Pres. Continental Congress (Phila. & Balt.) 1783-4 Governor Penna. 1790-1799 (Sup. Court)
John Morton	4/3/72	[illegible]		✓ (Phila. Dist.)	[illegible] to Stamp Act [illegible]

[illegible] R. Hart	[illegible]/1/66	1785-[illegible]		
Samuel Rivers	[illegible]; 6/1/64; 6/15/67; 3/16/67	1774-5		
Daniel Roberdeau	5/1/60; 6/5/67; [illegible]/67, 3/[illegible]	1774-[illegible]	[illegible] (Bio Dict)	
William Shippen	5/1/60	1778-80		
Charles Thomson	5/1/60; 3/6/67			Sec'y Continental Congress 1774-1789 Bio Dict Am Cong
Jonathan B Smith	Continental Currency	1777-8	Signer Articles of Confederation (Wikipedia Bio Dict)	
Thomas Smith	5/1/60; 3/21/83	1776-83		
James Wilson	Continental Currency	1776-6 1779-3 3-7	✓	✓ Associate Supreme Ct Justice 1789-98 B
More Signers				
James Bayard	3/16/85			U.S. House of Reps Del 1797-1803 U S Senate Del 1804-1813 Bio Dict Am Cong
George Bryan	5/1/60			Delegate to Stamp Act Congress Pres of Supreme Exec Council of Penna (Gov.) 1778 (Appletons)
Lambert Cadwalader	7/26/75	1780-7 (from New Jersey)		U.S. House of Reps (New Jersey) 1789-91; 1791-3 Appletons
Francis Hopkinson	3/20/71	1776 (from New Jersey)	✓	
Thomas Mifflin	5/[illegible]			Gov Penna 1777-8

Questions Concerning Pennsylvania Currency Signers

	Per Eric Newman "Early Paper Money"	Signed	Question Source	Is he?
John Bayard	Signer of Continental Currency		Appletons	John B. Bayard
Lambert Cadwallader	Pa 7/20/75		Bio Dictionary of Am. Congress	Lambert Cadwalader
William Crispin	Pa 10/1/73; 12/8/75		Eric Newman	William Crispen Pa 6/2/76
J. Gardner	Continental Currency		Bio Dict Am Congress	Joseph Gardner
James Reed	Continental Currency		Bio Dict Am Congress	James Reid
John Gibson Jr.	Pa 6/18/64; 3/1/69		Eric Newman	John Gibson Pa 6/15/67
H. H. Graham	Pa 10/25/75		Appletons	Henry Hale Graham
Charles Humphrey	Pa 5/1/60		Eric Newman Appletons	Charles Humphreys Pa 4/3/72
Reynold Keen	Pa 10/1/73		Eric Newman	Reynold Keen 3/10/8
J. Mease Jr.	Pa 6/18/64	acc. to Eric Newman		
J. Mease	6/15/67			
James Mease	7/20/75			
John Mease	7/20/75; 4/20/81			
John Patton	Pa 4/20/81		Appletons	John Patten
Francis Rawle	Pa 4/2/23; 1/17/23(4) died 1727		Eric Newman	Francis Rawle 5/1/60 (was he son; nephew?)
Charles Read	Pa 4/2/23		Appleton	Charles Read
Charles Reade	1/17/23(4)			
Samuel Rhoades	5/1/60		EP Newman	Samuel Pa Rhoads 6/13/61
			Appletons	6/15/67; 4/10/69
John Steel	Pa 3/16/85		Appletons	John Steele 1755-1827
Thomas Tilbury	Pa 5/1/60		EP Newman	Thomas Tilbury

Rhode Island Currency Signers

	Currency Issues Signed	Member Cont Congress of 1 ship	Signed Declaration	Other Posts
Jonathan Arnold	signed gty of 7/2/70 issue	1782-84		
William Ellery	3/18/76	1776-81 1783-85	✓	
Jonathan J. Hazard	9/5/76; 5/-/80	1787-9		
Metcalfe Bowler	3/1/66; 2/25/67; 5/3/75 11/6/75; 6/-/80; 7/2/80			Delegate Stamp Act Congress 1765
Gideon Wanton	7/5/5 redated 1731; 6/14/46 redated 1731; 3/14/43 (4) redated 1744 (5); " 1745 " 1746; 1746 (7), 1747 (8)			Gov, R. I 1745 and 1747
Henry Ward	5/3/75; 11/6/75			Delegate Stamp Act Congress - 1765 (ck. signatures to be certain)

Questions on Rhode Island Currency

William Coddington 7/5/15 redated 1721; 7/5/15 redated 1728; 6/14/26 redated 1731; 6/14/26 redated 1733; 7/5/15 redated 1737; 8/5/37

Could this be William Coddington Jr., Gov of Rhode Island 1683-4 or a descendant?

Gideon Cornell 2/14/43(4) redated 1744 (5); 2/14/43(*) redated 1745

Did Gideon Cornell sign only the above two issues or did he sign all the 2/14/43(4) issues, except the first

p. ~~[illegible]~~

Jonathan Hazard 5/-/Eb should be Jonathan J. Hazard

I have notes signed Jonathan J. Hazard.

— I also have assumed, possibly wrongly that Jonathan J. Hazard signed 9/5/76 issue not Jonathan Hazard. This should be checked

Joseph Jenckes 5/16/10

is he

Joseph Jenckes 1632-1716, son of the Pine Tree shilling maker, or

Joseph Jenckes 1656-1740 - Gov R.I. 1713-20; 1722-32

N. Knight — is he Nehemiah Knight member U.S. House of Representatives 1803-8

Jeremiah Lippitt p. 284 - 3/8/50(1) I believe should be Jeremiah Lipp.tt — see signature p. 285 on illust

— Appleton's also spells it Lippitt

John Odlin 8/16/10 - Signature should be checked to see if spelling is Olin

P. 280 ~~[illegible]~~ John Wanton should be Gideon Wanton

— see illustration John Wanton died 1740 per reference Appleton's Cyclopaedia

Henry Ward 5/2/75 4/6/75 — Delegate Stamp Act Congress 1765

— ck signatures

Questions - South Carolina Currency

EPN					
p. 311	Peter Bacot 6/1/75 could he be Peter Bacon or should it be Bacot				1787 p. 322
p. 313	P. Bouquet, Jr should be P. Bocquet, Jr — see illustration top of p. 313 — also see Peter Bocquet, Jr. 10/19/76 p. 315				
	William Bull 1683-1755	unequivocally signed 6/30/16		which signed 4/5/40, 9/19/40 6/30/48	
	William Bull Jr 1710-1791	6/1/75			
	William Bull Jr was Governor of S.C. 1744-5; 1768; 1769, 1773				
p. 311	John Edward — per EPN should it be John Edwards — the Edwards family of Guilford, N.C.				
p. 308	Benjamin Elliott — might this be Benjamin Elliot with a flourish — while I have no certainty, Benjamin Elliot, Charleston, N.C. prominent citizen (1786-1836) might be a son — S.C. Currency 4/7/70 and 10/19/76				
p. 305	Alexander Fraser — could he be the father of Alexander Frazier 1750-69 written dates — which then is proper spelling				S.C. 1786 p. 320
p. 320	Alexander Frazier, Jr — not properly alphabetized				
	William Gibbes 6/1/75; 6/10/75; 3/6/76 — is he the same as William H. Gibbes 4/10/78 — I don't think so, but the signatures should be checked				
305	Benjamin Guerrard — he might be the Governor of S.C. 1783 — signatures should be checked				

			①	②	③	④	⑤
1	p.315	Elias Horry	3/6/76 - Isn't he the same as Elias Morry, Jr. p.312 6/10/75 - shouldn't both be Horry - compare signatures - Horry 6/10/75 not properly alphabetized				
6	p.315	John Huger	3/6/76 - is he also signer of 5/1/86 and there is no John Huger (5/1/86) - compare signatures				
10	p.315	Thomas Jones	3/6/76, 1777 (12/23/76 Act) is he also T. Jones 5/1/86, 1786 Charleston - compare signatures				
14	p.305 p.314 (cont. note)	John Matthews	- should he be John Mathews				
16			Member CC 1778-82				
17			Gov S.C. 1782-3				
19		James Moore 1640-1729	- Gov S.C. 1700-03 } which one signed 5/5/03				
21		James Moore 1667-1740	- Gov S.C. 1719-21 }				
24		Isaac Motte	- did he, not Jacob sign S.C. 6/1/75 - check signatures - Isaac signed 6/10/75 - Jacob signed 7/23/61, 3/6/76				
29		Robert Parson	- check to see if it should be Robert Parsons				
32		N. Russell	3/6/76 - is he the same as Nathaniel Russell 1777 (12/23/76 Act)				
35		Thomas Schubrick	5/29/62 - not properly alphabetized				
37		Anthony Simmons	11/5/75 not properly alphabetized				
39		M. Simons	11/15/75 is he the same as Maurice Simons 10/17/76				

p. 313 A. Toomer — 11/15/75 - is he the same as Anthony Toomer 10/19/76 - p. 315

p. 315 J. Ward - 3/6/76 - is he the same as Joshua Ward 1777 (12/23/76 Act) p. 316

p. 308 ~~Benjamin Waring 1750-69 written dates; 11/1/70 - 75 - is he the same as B. Waring 11/1/75~~

p. 321 John Webb 3/6/76; 1777 (12/23/76) Act should be included on p. 321 1786 Charleston - See his signature on the illustration

p. 308 et seq Benjamin Waring 1750-69 written dates; 11/1/70; 11/1/75 - is he the same As B. Waring 11/5/75

p. 319 Edward Trescott 2/8/79 should be Edward Trescott - per my specimen notes

Rawlins Lowndes 1750-69; 5/16/57; 1760/57 Issue; 4/10/74 - was he the Rawlins Lowndes Govr. S.C. 1778 or was the Governor a relation - ck signatures

Robert Daniel was Governor of S.C. 1716 - is he the same man as the Robert Daniel p. 299 [illegible]

p. 308 line 2 next to last word goals should be gaols

p. 319 H. Couch should be H. Crouch 4/10/78 - see upper illustration

p. 319 Robert Williams should be added to 2/8/79 - Pickens has seen this name on #50 #3373 and #10 #4797 & 50 #3940

Virginia Congressional Signers

	Member Cont. Congress	Other Accomplishments
Edmund Pendleton 10/12/58; 1775 Small Notes	1774-5	Speaker of Virginia 1774-6 (Webster's Bio Dict) Speaker House of Burgesses 1777-8 (Bryan's Hist)
Edmund Randolph 1775 small notes	1779-82	Va. Governor 1786-8 Delegate Constitutional Convention 1787 but refused to sign it U.S. Atty. Gen'l 1789-94 U.S. Secy. of State 1794-5 (all from Webster Bio Dict)
Peyton Randolph 10/11/58, 11/1/58, 11/5/58; 10/3/58, 11/1/58, 11/21/58; 3/16/59, 3/17/59, 3/18/59; 1775 (illegible)	1774-5 1775	Pres. Nat'l Cont. Congress 1774 (Bio Dictionary of Am. Congress) Speaker House of Burgesses 1764-74

John Blair

John Blair Jr. [illegible] 1776 [illegible]
[illegible] Act; [illegible] Kurz
Bank forms; 3/4/-3 Act
(9/-/73 Issue)
(Blair used John Blair, Jr. signature
until his father died in 1771)

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] U.S. Supreme
— 1788-96
(Washington, D.C.)

Questions on Virginia Currency

EPN					
p 340	Jonathan Boush	They are the same. See signatures on Bills at bottom of the two pages			
p 341	John Boush				
	Is he also J. Boush 5/1/80 handwritten dates and John Boush 5/7/81				
	James Cocke 5/3/79 is he the same as James Cocke 5/2/80				
	John Lyne 5/1/80 handwritten dates 7/14/80	10/16/80 printed back; 3/1/81	were signed by J. Lyne; was the signer John or Joseph		
	Joseph Lyne 5/7/81				
p. 333	William Norwell 3/4/13 – should it be William Norwell 7/17/75 small Notes 9/1/75 Jas River Bank (see illustration p. 334)				
	Is the John Robinson 6/-/15; 12/1/35; 3/-/46 the same John Robinson who was Pres. Council of Virginia 1734 and/or Gov. Va 1749 & – ck signatures				
	J. Turner 5/1/80 printed back – is he the same as James Turner 7/14/80 – 10/16/80 printed back 10/16/80 Army clothing, 3/1/81				

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

4/9/74

Dear Eric -

Here's the Hampton Rownd signature plus a very important letter recently received -- Joshua is just wonderful!!!! I'm passing on the $2-1785 note - my son's wedding later this week and a new car take precedence. Best & Thanks Joe

Thanks for the letter to Distinguished

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April 18, 1973

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New-York

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1 s. 4 d.

1/4.

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ONE PENNY.

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I *Promise to pay the Bearer, on Demand*, One Penny, *by Order of the Corporation of the City of* New-York. *February* 20, 1790.

1d. *D. Phœnix,*

City Treasurer.

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Printed by HUGH GAINE, New-York.

New ONE SHILLING AND FOURPENCE York

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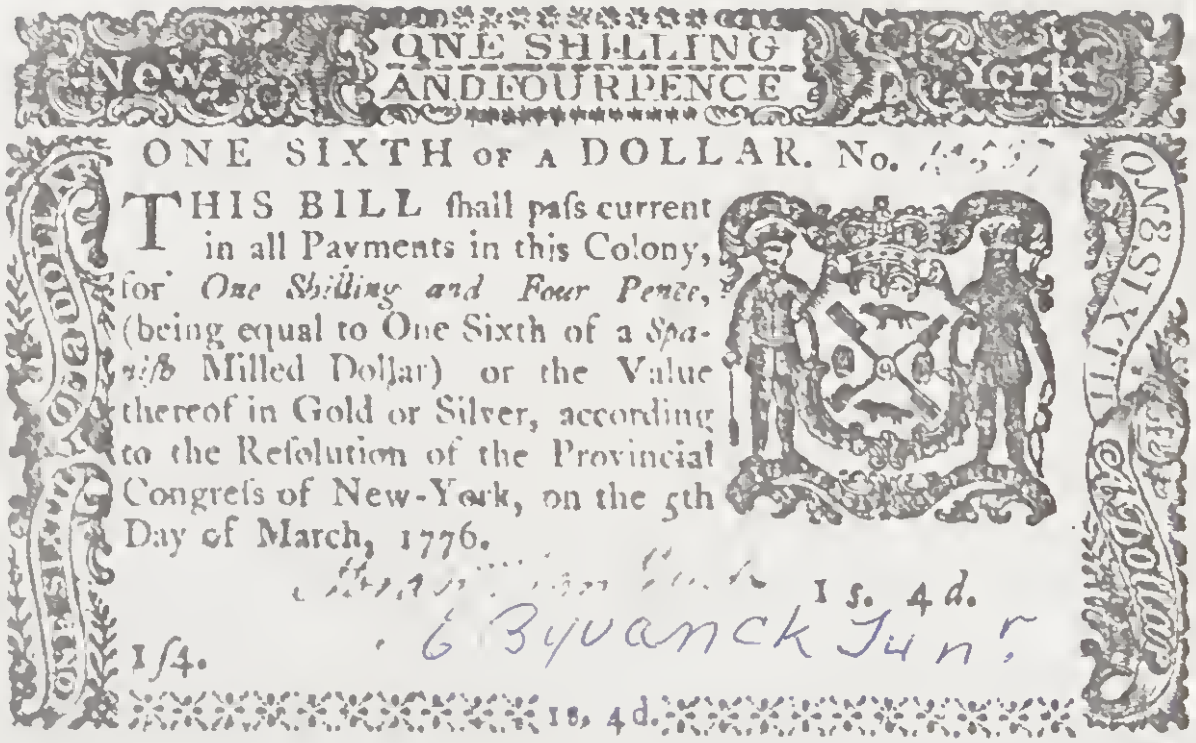

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December 11, 1973

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Dear Eric:

I am very pleased that both you and my North Carolina friend now are satisfied, and I am returning the enclosed North Carolina 10 shilling 1783 piece. I am sending the North Carolina man the xerox of the 40 shilling 1785 note and informing him that you will not trust the piece to the U. S. mails until after the holiday period. I'm certain that this will be satisfactory to him.

I believe you should re-check your research records concerning Lyman Hall. According to the Dictionary of American Biography - Scribner's, Volume 4, Lyman Hall was born April 12, 1724, and died October 19, 1790. He is indicated to have been a signer of the Declaration of Independence and in 1783 was elected Governor of Georgia.

I cannot reconcile the above data with your comments to Mr. Breen on March 18, 1971. Obviously, there is a conflict, and I hesitate to give any definitive answer.

Best regards,

Joe

JRL/ljg

Signature Comparisons
Necessary
With Other Documents

Georgia 1776 (undated)

Nathan _ Brownson; not
Nathaniel Brownson

Nathan Brownson Member CC 1777-83
Governor Georgia 1781

10/18/86

J. Jackson, is he
James Jackson U.S. Representative 1789-91
U.S. Senator 1801-6
Governor 1798-1801

Massachusetts 1784 Mass. Bank - James Bowdoin
Was signer father or son
Bowdoin SR 1726-90 - Gov 1785-7
Bowdoin JR. 1752-1811 - Minister to Spain 1804-8

J. Willard 1714-40; 1737; 1741, 1742, 1744
was he Josiah Willard
Secy of Mass. June 1717-12/6/26

New York

W. Hicks N.Y.W.W. 8/25/74 is he Whitehead Hicks Mayor New York City 1766-76

Lassiter took pictures of these signatures for comparative purposes 1/27/74

J. Watts, Jr N.Y.W.W. 8/25/74; N.Y.W.W. 8/2/75; N.Y.W.W. 1/6/76 is he John Watts Member U.S. House of Representative 1793-5

G. Brownton N.Y.W.W. 8/2/75; N.Y.W.W. 1/6/76 - is the proper name Brewerton

Rhode Island

William Coddington 7/5/5 ~~[illegible]~~ redated 1721; " 1728, " 1737; 6/14/36 redated 1728; " 1731; " 1733 " 1737; 8/15/37

- might this be William Coddington, Jr. Gov. 1683-4 or a descendant

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N. Knight is he Nehemiah Knight - member U.S. House of Representatives 1803-5

Henry Ward 5/3/75; 11/6/75 was he Delegate Stamp Act Congress 1765

South Carolina Benjamin Guerard
- signed 1750-69 handwritten dates
- is he Gov. So. Carolina 1783

- 5/8/03 issue Gov S.C.
- who signed James Moore 1640-1729 1700-05
James Moore 1667-1740 1717-21
1719-21

- 1750-69 handwritten dates
5/16/52; 1760 1st Issue, 4/10/74
- Rawlins Lowndes - was he
the same as the Gov S.C. 1778

Virginia John Robinson
- 6/-/55; 12/1/55; 3/-/56
- is he the same as the
Pres. Council of Virginia 1734 and/or
Gov. Virginia 1749

Errata found 1/24/74

NC.5/8/78 — Armitage not Hintage — per EPN p. 230

my #5 44578

#6 2884 — Per Signature on Bills — Per Authorization of Continental Congress

CC-JRL has #6 [illegible]/1/76 15734 James Johnston

CC- " " #5 5/10/75 24248 Thomas Barton Jr — authorized as Bartow

CC- " " #2 11/2/76 19405 Hans Creevey — " Creery

CC- " " #5 5/1/76 15734 John Shaw, [illegible] — John Shaw Jr

not John Shaw Jr

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

1/25/74

Dear Eric -

Sorry over my authorization slip (on the Tannebs of the Continental Congress) last night and comparing the authorizations with signatures on bills I have, I came upon the accompanying list of signatures. I would accept the bills as authoritative. The North Carolina 8/8/78 change also is from direct observation

Condolences
Joe Lasser

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2/13/74

Dear Eric -

Hope you enjoyed your holiday. While you were away, I was continuing to make some progress on the Colonial research.

① I've spent some time at the New York Public Library going through the Emmet etc. collections. This work has -

a) added a few names to the Continental signers list

b) given me confirmation on a number of spellings of names of signers

c) added a few signers to some Colonial issues

d) materially extended the pattern of specific issues

signed by Continental Currency authorized signers.

(2) My North Carolina friend visited with John Birino of Old Salem and, by inspecting all the Old Salem holdings, brought to light a number of new denominations and varieties of N.C. Currency. After talking to my friend, I called Birino and asked him to Xerox, where possible, the unlisted notes and forward the Xeroxes to you. Fortuitously, he was already sending some material to you.

(3) A dealer in New York has shown me a New Hampshire 10sh 6/20/75 piece -- which also is not listed

attach from 1st.

(4) I have reviewed my copy

of Early Paper Money and attempted to pick up all signatures on illustrated bills plus trying to make certain that the spelling of signers names is consistent from one issue to another.

Because I have made all corrections, changes etc. on the pages of my copy of Early Paper Money, I've gotten myself into a box -- How do I convey the data to you? When do you want it? Should I just proceed to the end of the project and send the book to you -- hoping it won't get lost?

I do not think that I will be able to identify all of the specific issues

signed by each of the Continental Currency signers. I see no way, at this time, of this type of identification other than going from major collection to major collection and inspecting each bill. The job, probably, is endless, but I have, at least, started it and have a satisfactory note system as to the collection which has the bill, its date, ~~and~~ its number and denomination.

Enclosed find an additional Bill of Indictment (xerox) and the counterfeit note (xerox) from North Carolina FYI

Best Regards

Joe

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

2/26/74

Dear Eric –

It was good to talk to you today. Here's my book. I hope it adds to the structure. Kindly return it when you are finished. I don't have the pictures of the new signatures in my office; so I'll mail them tomorrow

Best Regards –

Joe

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From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

1/28/74

Dear Eric —

As I indicated in my preceding letter, signature comparisons would aid in establishing the identities of a number of signers - and my collection is not sufficiently extensive to contain many of the currency signers. Do you have any of the accompanying notes with the specific necessary signatures (over)?

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Yesterday, I combined two of my avocations and took pictures of a number of signatures that I wished to do further work on. If they turn out to be good and useful reproductions, I'll forward some ~~one~~ to you —

Best Regards

Lee

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

2/27/74

Dear Eric –

Enclosed find signature photos on six notes. Two are not presently listed and the remainder are clarifications. Notes are on the back of each.

Best Regards –

Joe

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P.S. Sent you my Early Paper Money Copy yesterday.

Additional Georgia Currency Signers

	Issues Signed	Member Continental Congress	Other Accomplishments
Archibald Bulloch not Bullock (spelling confirmed by Bio. Directory of Am. Congress and Appletons Cyclopaedia)	1775 (7/12/75 Resolve)	1775-6	Gov. Georgia 1776-7
Joseph Clay	1773	1783	
William Ewen	7/8/65; 1766-7 written dates; 1775; 1776 £; 1776 # Blue, Green and Orange Seals; 1776 Black Vignette; 1777 no resolution date; 1776 (undated)		Acting Governor of Georgia 1775
James Habersham not Haversham	Sola Bills 1735-50 1776 £		Acting Gov. of Georgia 1769-72
Noble Jones	5/1/60; 3/25/62; 7/8/65 1766-7 Handwritten dates 1768-70 Tax Certificates 1774 (Good till 12/31/77)		Treasurer of Province of Georgia
William Knox	5/1/60		British Provost Marshall 1756-61 British Undersecretary of State for American Affairs 1770-83
John Martin	1776 Black Vignette		Gov. Georgia 1782-3
James Oglethorpe	1735-50 Sola Bills 1735-45 Oglethorpe		A Founder of Georgia, Started first settlement 1733, Leader in development of colony till 1743 when he returned to England
Henry Parker	1735-50 Sola Bills		Gov. Georgia 1750-54
William Stephens not Will__ Stephens	1735-50 Sola Bills		President of Colony of Georgia 1743-50
John Adam Treutlen	1776 (undated)		Gov. Georgia 1777
John Wereat	1776 Black Vignette 1776 (undated)		Acting Gov. Georgia 1779
Additional Possible ↓ Jackson - might be	10/16/86	U.S. Congress Representative 1789-91 U.S. Senator 1793-95, 1801-09	

Errata found from Conn. thru Georgia

Early Paper Money		Source
p. 73	Pierrepont Edwards; not Pierpont	Biographical Directory of the American Congress 1774-1971 p. 902
p. 86	William Stephens; not Will Stephens -- another William Stephens signed 1776 Bills; the earlier William Stephens died 1753	Appletons Cyclopaedia of Am. Biography 1886 Vol IV p. 666
pp. 87-8	James Habersham, not James Haversham - James was the father of Joseph and John 1712-1775 Joseph 1751-1815 John 1754-1790	Appleton's Cyclopaedia of Am. Biog. 1886 Vol III p. 21
p. 95	Archibald Bulloch; not Bullock	Bio Direct. of Am Congress p. 665
pp. 96 and 99	Joseph Habersham; not James Habersham not John Habersham	James died 1775 and so could not sign 1776 bills and signature on p. 96 does not look like it could be John
Dont agree this fits same sig as below		
p. 95	George Walton — The asterisk indicating that he is a signer of the Declaration of Independence is missing	
pp. 96 and 99	George Houstoun; not Houston	My #20 maroon specimen clearly shows Houstoun
p. 108 - also not shown p. 18	Lyman Hall 1/9/82 Resolve — The asterisk indicating he is a signer of Declaration of Independence is missing	

Possible Error

p. 102	Nathan Brownson; not Nathaniel 1776 (undated)	Nathan Brownson Member Continental Congress 1777-83 Governor of Georgia 1781 Source — Bio Directory of Am Congress p. 654

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Therefore, if you do not think it appropriate to complete the trade with the 1783 note and a 1775 note that might be satisfactory to him, (I think that the 1775 note should be in good condition.) then I will, regrettably, return your 1783 note to you and, upon receipt, I will return his material to him in North Carolina.

As you also know, I am going to the British Virgin Islands tomorrow and, therefore, will not be available for ten days. I would appreciate some action on your part by that time. It's been good to be in touch with you again, and I hope that the research material is valuable. If you have any questions on the work, please let me know.

Best regards,

Joseph R. Lasser

JRL/ljg

Continental Currency Signatures

	Colony	Member of Continental Congress	Member of Stamp Act Congress	Also Signer of Articles of Confed	Also Signer of Declaration of Indep	Also Signer of Constitution	Also Governor	Also Cabinet Member	U.S. Representative Senator etc
Signers of Continental Currency									
John B. Bayard	Penna.	1785-7					Delaware 1796-7		
Gunning Bedford	Dela.	1786-7							
Daniel Carroll	Md.	1780-4		✓		✓ p. 1671			
Matthew Clarkson	Penna.	1785-6							
Joseph Gardner	Penna.	1784-5							
John Howard	Md.	1787-8							
John Kean	S.C.	1785-7							
Jonathan B. Smith	Penna.	1777-8		✓					
Thomas Smith	Penna	1780-82							
John Williams	No. Car.	1778-9		✓					
James Wilson	Penna	1775-6, 1782-3 1785-7			✓	✓			Assoc Supreme Ct Justice 1789-98
		Source for Above: Biographical Directory of the American Congress 1774-1971 - U.S. Govt Printing Office - 1971		Webster's Biographical Dictionary - G&C Merriam - 1972 p. 1671	Webster's Bio. Dictionary - Merriam 1972 p. 1671	Webster's Bio Dictionary - Ibid p. 1672			Webster's Bio Dictionary Ibid p. 1666
Addenda:									
Samuel Meredith	Penna	1787-8						U.S. Treasurer 1789-1801	

Additional Possible Continental Currency Signers

Authorized		Colony	Lived	Member Continental Congress	Other Accomplishments
2/13/77	John Taylor	Virginia	1750-1824		U.S. Senator 1792-4
	The dates for authorization and first (given) names of the following have NO ~~been~~ not been found, but ~~these~~ men with these first initials and surnames have signed Continental Currency				
	Joseph Anderson	Penna	1757-1837		U.S. Senator from Tennessee 1797-1815
	John Kean	So. Caro.	1756-1795	1785-87	
	James McHenry	Maryland	1753-1816	1783-6	U.S. Secy of War 1796-180[illegible]
	Richard Smith (Might be the signer of 12/31/63 N. Jersey Notes — compare available signatures)	New Jersey	1735-1803	1774-6	
	Robert Smith	Pennsylvania	1757-1842		U.S. Secy of Navy 1802-1805 U.S. Atty Gen'l U.S. Secy of State 1809-11

Source: Biographical Directory of the American Congress 1774-1971
U.S. Printing Office

Connecticut Currency Signers

	Issues of Currency Signed	Member Continental Congress	Signed Articles of Confed			Other Posts
Andrew Adams	10/11/77	1777-1780 1781-82 (Bio Dict of Am Cong)	✓ (Websters Bio p.1671)			Chief Justice Conn Supreme Ct, 1793-6 -(Appletons)
Pierrepont Edwards	10/11/77	1787-8 (Bio Dict)				
William Pitkin	All Connecticut issues from 7/10/33 thro 3/8/64 (His son, also named William Pitkin signed 1770-76 and 1780 issues. Wm Pitkin, pere, died 10/1/1769)					Gov, Conn, 1766-1769 (Appletons)
Jesse Root	5/10/75; 6/1/75; 7/1/75; 6/7/76 6/19/76	1778-83 (Bio Dict of Am Congress)				Chief Justice Conn Supreme Ct 1796-180

Delaware Currency Signers

	Issues Signed	Member Cont. Congress	Other Posts
Gunning Bedford (A cousin, Gunning Bedford Jr. signed the Constitution)	Continental Currency	1786-7 (Bio. Direct. Am Congress)	Gov. Delaware 1796-7 (Appletons)
James Sykes	1/1/76	1777-78 (Bio Dict)	
Additional Possible Signers — Signatures should be compared			
Thomas Collins	1/1/76		Gov Delaware 1786-9
John McKinly	1/1/76		Gov. Delaware 1777

Georgia Currency Signers

	Issues of Currency Signed	Member Continental Congress	Signer Articles of Confed	Signer of Constit when	Other Accomplishments
Benjamin Andrew	1776 (undated); 1777 no resolution date); 1776 black vignette, 1776 # fractionals; 1776 # Green or Orange Seal	1780 (Bio Dict of Am Cong)			
Joseph Clay	1773	1778 & 1783 (Bio. Dict of Am. Cong)			
William Few	1776 £ issue; 1778	1780-1788 (Bio Dict of Am Cong.)		✓ (Webster's Bio Dict)	U.S. Senator 1789-93 (Appletons)
William Gibbons	1775; 1776 £ issue, 1776 # Blue Seal	1784-5 (Bio Dict of Am. Cong.)			
Lyman Hall	1/9/82	1775-78 1780 (Bio Dict of Am Congress)		Signer - Declaration of Independence (Appletons) (Webster Bio Dict p. 1671)	Gov. Georgia 1783 ~~(Appletons)~~ (Bio Dict of Am. Congress)
John Houstoun	1775; 1776 (undated)	1775-77 1779 (Bio Dict of Am Cong)			Gov. Georgia 1778 and 1784-6 (Appletons)
William Jackson	1776 dateless			Attested Constitution - Secretary but was not a Delegate	
Noble Wimberly Jones	1769 Lighthouse; 1773	1776 1781-2 (Bio. Dict. of Am. Congress)			
Edward Langworthy	1777 (6/8/77 Resolution)	1777-1779 (Bio Dict of Am. Congress)	✓ (Webster Bio Dict) p. 1671		
William O'Bryen	1776 £ issue; 1776 # Blue Seal; 1776 # Green or Orange Seal; 1776 Black Vignette; 1776 # fractionals; 1776 undated; 1776 no resolution date; 1777 - 6/8/77 resolution date; 1777 - 9/10/77 resolution date; 1778	1789 (Bio Dict of Am. Congress)			
Edward Telfair	1775; 1776 £ issue; 1776 # Blue Seal; 1776 Maroon Seal	1778-82 1784-5 1788-9 (Bio. Dict. of Am. Congress)	✓ (Webster Bio. Dict.) p. 1671		Gov. Georgia 1786 and 1790-93 (Appletons)
George Walton	1775 and 1782	1776-78 1780-81 1787-88 (Bio Dict of Am. Congress)	✓ (Webster Bio Dict.) p. 1671	Signer - Declaration of Independence (Webster Bio Dict) p. 1671	Chief Justice Georgia 1783 and 1787 Appletons; Gov. Georgia 1779 and 1789; U.S. Senator 1795-96 (Appletons)
Joseph Wood	1777 - 6/8/77 Resolution date	1777-8 (Bio Dict of Am. Congress)			

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

4/10/74

Dear Eric –

Here's Lou Lua's letter. Hope you preserve it. It's a classic !!

Best –

Joe

SHUFRO, ROSE & EHRMAN
63 WALL STREET, NEW YORK 10005 344-7760

JOSEPH R. LASSER
119 CUSHMAN ROAD
SCARSDALE, NEW YORK 10583

7/25/74

Dear Eric -

I'm sending the rolls of film under separate cover, so don't be overly concerned about their absence. I've been somewhat harassed in a business sense and, as a consequence, have been in a junior blue funk. I'm not happy with my recent performance vis-a-vis my promises to you and find that I should apologize -- so please accept my shortcomings -- I'll get back to normal lovely soon.

(over)

As you see, I'm sending to you the original text of my photos at Greenfield. I'm sure they are translatable. Don't worry, I've kept xerox.

I'use and sending a xerox of the Joshua Bonney signature from Appleton's Cyclopedia.

On Saturday I went to Worcester and opened the Massachusetts Antiquarian Society collection. As far as I could determine there were no notes that you have not identified as illustrated, but, of course, many signatures from known names. I took pictures of the material and will send you the pictures soon as they are developed. [illegible] of the [illegible] notes off the other Colophons. If I find anything interesting I'll keep my fingers crossed.

Now work different from do you don't? I'll do some more research if it's helpful. Best Regards — Lee

P.S. Can it be the [illegible] [illegible]

1/25/74

P.S.

During my visit with you, we recorded some signatures on Continental Currency from counterfeits. Now that we have seen a number of signatures on CC. that are of non-existent signers, I think you ought to begin to question whether or not

all your bills

G. Conner A-78 counterfeit

S. Jones S-78 counterfeit $-40

W. Salter J-79 " $80

(over)

should be included in a signers list

Thus far, I am aware of counterfeit non-existent signers

John King #6c 9/26/78

R. Gutell #19646

M. Cather - 9/26/78 (remember, you corrected me)

J Duncan #40 4/11/78 on British counterfeits

R. Davis per Broadspectre I sent you.

Best Regards

— Joe

JOSEPH R. LASSER
63 WALL STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10005

August 8, 1974

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric:

Enclosed find my photos taken at the American Antiquarian Society plus some "poor" reproductions of some of the Bank of New York materials. The bank archivist indicated that he would like to wait until I finish my review prior to undertaking any adequate quality photos or xeroxes -- and it won't be too long before I complete because there are only four boxes to go.

not new

Returning to the American Antiquarian Society Ltd.'s material the following are additional items that are not covered in the accompanying photographs:

1. C. C. 5/20/77 $5 No. 162560 has two new signatures, J. Mahon and T. Ball, or Ball or ? You have 3 photographs of this bill.

2. Georgia 1776 blue seal - page 99. George Houstoun, not George Houston

3. Maryland 12/17/75 Page 118 Thomas Gassaway, Jr. A. A. S. 2/3$ No. 15543 - Jr. omitted

4. Maryland 5/10/81 Add T. John Low, Jr. A. A. S. 1S6D

5. Massachusetts 12/7/75 Joseph Batchelder, Jr. A. A. S. 7/22/74

6. C. C. 2/17/76 William Lux - new signature 1/3$ No. 47799 A. A. S. This is a new signature. It is not Darby Lux.

Mr. Eric P. Newman August 8, 1974

Will be in touch with you again shortly following completion of the Bank of New York material.

Best regards,

Joseph R. Lasser

JRL/ljg

P.S. I also found the name Joseph Pennel listed in the New York Directory 1786 as head of the Marine Department of the U.S. -- apparently predecessor to the office of Secretary of the Navy. We have used Pennell among the C.C. signers, page 44. The Journals of the Continental Congress authorize Joseph Pennel 8/8/78 so that I think the single "l", although unusual, is the proper spelling.

For your answers

Dear Eric, Here are guesses [illegible]

Is it Thomas Barton or ~~Thomas Barton~~

[illegible] CC signer Thomas Barton not w.

M-75-$20-#9504-Emmet Vol IV NPublic Library

(Probably the nephew of Thomas Barton a clergyman and loyalist 1730-8c)

Are there any ~~[illegible]~~ Anthony Morris [illegible]

Anthony Morris Jr [illegible]

I think from inspection of records that Anthony Morris either didn't sign or signed Anthony Morris Jr. I have not seen an Anthony signature but Jr signed [illegible]

Are there 2 Mr James Mease and John Mease?

I have not found an authorization for James Mease, but there are many letters for John Mease in the Journals of CC. I have never seen a James signature. My [illegible] Judge [illegible] is that there also was a James Mease

Is it Robert Mullan or ~~Mullan~~

Mullan 1-79-60-1928 Lasses

5-78-$5-179848-EPNewman

Are Samuel [illegible] Samuel [illegible]

Nicholas

5-78-$5-229000-Myers-NYPublic Lib

1-79-40 94313-Emmet Vol IV

Hampton [illegible] NYPL

Is it Wetherill or ~~Wetherell~~

Wetherill, 5-78-$8-161904-EPNewman

Unusual, but correct. Rowand

Emmet Vol IV

5-78-$30-244508-New York Public Library

Clear as a bell

(end)

Georgia 1776

I'll buy the Gredigan with
only minor reservations
I'd really like to get Georgian
help on this

North Carolina 1780

Looks a genuine — I think
you've deciphered the Franklin,
that couldn't be

M.J. M. and not W.

M

The Bell is still a
mystery to me. Whatever
you say, ~~[illegible]~~
is so helpful

JOSEPH R. LASSER
63 WALL STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10005

August 9, 1974

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric:

Enclosed find several xeroxes of material at the Bank of New York. You will see the reason for sending them on the xeroxes of my notebook sheet. The bank, very kindly, is taking the various notes out to its p. r. people to be photographed so that you will be certain to have clear copies. As you see there are six items.

Mr. James Bent, the Secretary of the bank, has promised to go through the minutes of the bank for the years 1784-1800 and will give us all of the data pertaining to currency that turns up. "The Development of American Commercial Banking" is a volume in the bank's library. I thought it might be useful.

Best regards,

Joseph R. Lasser

P. S. The photos will be ready in about two weeks.

8/9/74 Bank of New York

Photos

1) $50 - A 110 6/9/84 Bank of New York

2) $4 4/18/86 Bank of New York

3) $40 7/17/93 - counterfeit - Bank of New York
- with note declaring the bill counterfeit

4) $5 Bank of United States bill
specimen form 17--

5) Bank of N.Y. Post Note pair 17--

6) CC 5/20/77 $7 # 84474
A. W. Calister (2nd sig)

Xerox

1) Luke V. Bassett sig on 2/10/85
Bank Petition to N.Y. Legis

2) ~~[illegible]~~ News Item 3/27/94 $5 bills
warning of circulating of
Bank of the United States
and $20 bills Bank of North America

3) Charter establishing the Bank of
Alexandria 12/1/92

Is it Thomas Barton or Thomas Bartow
[illegible]

Are there an ~~Anthony~~ Anthony Morris and an
Anthony Morris Jr. [illegible] authenticated.

Are there both James Mease and John Mease

Is it Robert Mullen or Mullan

Are Samuel Nicholls and Samuel Nicholas the same

Hampton Pound must be found

Is it Wetherill or Wetherell.

Sept 12, 1974 Copy

Dear Joe:

The Bank of NY data arrived. It must have been difficult to piece together. I began sorting it up immediately and I come to a severe hang up. I turned analyst. I wonder if #1, 2, 3, 4 were actually issued. My logic is as follows:

Sheets		Total value	Plate total	Must be divided evenly
3600	Low denomination plate	#180,000	Plate total #50	(5, 10, 15, 20)
3900	High denomination plate	#358,000	Plate total #220	(30, 40, 50, 100)
200	Highest denomination plate	#440,000	Plate total #2200	(300 400 500 1000)

Thus we have the total emission of bills by denomination, but there is no mention of the low denominations in your total. There must have been four notes to an engraved sheet.

Please untangle the mystery if you can.

I only have the second edition of Dometts' Bank of NY. I do not have the Nevins 1884.

Do they have extra copies of the original edition or the book as I would like one for my library. I will be glad to send them the Early Paper Money on its revision.

Book at Bank of NY

The Development of American Commercial Banking: 1782-1837
by J. Van Fenstermaker

Bureau of Economic and Business Research
Printed Series #5
Kent State University Kent, Ohio
1965

Mailing address

Dear Eric

The appendix starting on p. 112 lists all bank incorporations from 1782 to 1837. I do not know Van Fenstermaker's basic source, but the list might be useful as a check. Best Regards

Jal

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

9/4/74

Dear Eric -

Attached the large photos, beauties!!

from Commissioner Sent -

Joe

SHUFRO, ROSE & EHRMAN
63 WALL STREET, NEW YORK 10005 344-7760

10/8/74

Dear Eric -

While you have been checking on volcanoes, boiling streams, horses, tents and the like, I've been watching a sick stock market and resting with an indifferent institution that cannot even identify its holdings properly.

I spent yesterday at the Mass. Historical Society. They have some excellent material, as well you know, but ~~the~~ it has been handled badly and, though "sorted" has not been collated or identified correctly.

I was not permitted to take pictures -- a first -- with the explanation that "it's too complicated to explain"; so I had the staff do some xeroxing -- which really isn't great in quality, as you see.

But, most importantly, I did get some additional signatures -- and I would like to

make some suggestions
Here are the added Continental
names and other xeroxes

Xeroxes (1) Jno McAlester - Sorry I ✓
tried to improve the signature
-- it wasn't successful -- actually,
the signature is quite clear --
is it our McAlister friend
of the Bank of New York?
(2) Wm Lux -- no explanation ✓
needed
(3) $30 - #442 -
11/2/76
R. Stringer
C. Dorsey - new ✓

$6 - 7/22/76 #53792
J. Bullock - new for July ✓
$30 - 7/22/76 - $4090
W. Barker ← (Barker) ✓
(4) $50 - 9/26/78 - 260115
Lion J. Gwann ?
and H. Eppé not H. Eppele per EPN
$3 - 5/20/77 - 18868
C. Hiener ✓
T. Warren
- I suspect the above
is a counterfeit No

I think you should try
to get inexpensive photos of these
for identification purposes

5 New York 12/10/37 - 3f-23763
B. Hinckman - new signature ✓
New York 12/10/37 - 10sh - 4708
G. Beekman - new signature ✓
6 Carlisle, Penna 1d sheet - 9/5/89
- there also is a 3d
in the collection -

I am totally dissatisfied with all of the xeroxes but thought you should have them - If you request, the Society will have some photos taken and forward them to you. The librarian, John Cushing recommended that you write requesting the photos and state the purpose and the ultimate use of the photographs to the Director of the Mass. Hist. Society.

I think you should get photographs of the following, suitable for use as plates in the new volume. They are outstanding pieces qualitatively - -

These should be used for new plate notes

(1) Connecticut 1709 redated 1713 (The current Early Paper Money illustrated a counterfeit)
2sh # 6378 -

(2) Connecticut - 1732
New London Society 5 £ -
A Remainder - crisp

(3) Massachusetts 9/9/40 - 6d
Manufactory Bill -
blank back - a super piece
(The Current Early Paper Money illustrates a torn & broken note)

Other New Signatures

(1) Delaware 5/1/77 2sbd # 59053
1s # 65128
John Clarke ✓

(2) Maryland 8/14/76 #1/6 # 1482
R. Tilghman Jr ✓

(3) Massachusetts
6/20/44 10sh #243 R. Hale ✓

(4) Mass 8/18/75 2s6d #5806
E. Sayer ✓

(5) Mass 11/17/76 16sh. #5608
N. Adams ✓

(6) New Hampshire 4/3/42 redated Feb 1744
6 sh illegible # R. Wibird ✓

(7) New Hampshire 4/3/55 6d # 2018
Not Redated to right of last signature
R. Wibird ✓

(8) Virginia 10/16/80 #200 # 14199
Belling Stark ✓

The Mass. Society has a sizeable group of Continental Currency counterfeits -- which they don't know are counterfeits -- here are some

1. $50 - 9/26/78 # 1388
   W. Colston
   D. Harvey
2. $50 9/26/78 # 4602
   I. All
   D. Welter
3. $50 9/26/78 # 4072
   R. Carker
   D. Wister

Finally, I would like to suggest that the J. Keon which is in the current Early Paper Money and is on the Freeman list is probably J. Kuhn which is on both New York Public Library and Mass. Historical Society notes.

Next week, I'll try to get to Philadelphia and finish the job. Then I'll forward my notebook. Please treat it gently. There are lots

of hours in it -- and it's been great fun. When you've made full use of it, kindly return it so that I can continue to add to it in the future.

The preceding letter is garbage as far as cordial correspondence is concerned; I apologize. I hope, however, that ~~it is of~~ the data is of use

Best Always—

Joe

MHS
10/7/74

Jno McAlester

(2)

#1 HS
10/7/74

(3)

MHS
10/7/74

R. Stringer C. Dorsey

J. Bullock

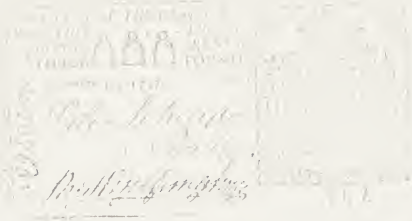
W. Barker R. Smith

(4)

MLS
10/7/74

J. Swann } H. Epplé
S. Gwann

5



MHS
10/7/74

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

10/10/74

Dear Roy –

Here are the books
of the Connecticut Office –

Best
Joe

SHUFRO, ROSE & EHRMAN
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10/28/74

Dear Eric —

Two weeks ago, I spent the day at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, but I haven't gotten to the ~~spot~~ point of writing you of my findings until now. Candidly, the trend of our economy and my struggle to keep my clients healthy have, as yet, a higher priority than this fun and so colonial paper has had to defer to business. Well — here goes as to what I found. Remember, I was not permitted to take photographs.

New Signatures

Continental Currency

New signatures

✓ 5/20/77 — $8 — Illeg # — Robert Irwin

✓ 5/20/77 — $30 — #19360 — Charles Shoemaker

Maryland

✓ 6/8/80 — $1 — #5577 — T. John Low, Jr
(also in EPofAm p. 119)

New York

✓ 12/10/37 — $10 #5110 — Stephen Wood

✓ 12/10/37 $5 — #14335 — James Stringham

✓ Albany 2/17/76 $1/8 — #7022 — John Van Rensselaer

? 3/5/76 - $ 1/4 # 6134 - A.V. Tuyl
(Not Van Wyck)

Pennsylvania
6/1/56 - 2sh - #2066 - Thomas Coombe
(not in 5/1/60 list)

South Carolina
3/5/76 - #2 5sh #5109 - James Fisher
10/23/76 #3 - #2895 - Wm Gibbes

Spelling or other minor changes

New York
9/15/55 - #2 - # 1327
Beverly Robinson; not Roberson
9/2/75 - #2 - # 27
Abraham Brincherhoff; not Brinkerhoff
Waterworks 3/5/76 - 4sh - #379 John H. Cruger; J. H. Cruger
N.Y. State 8/13/76 - #2 #4343
5 #4458 Reconfirmed
A.D. Mesier

North Carolina
5/10/80 - I strongly believe the signature
now thought to be
John Macon is J.W. Caron

check name
Jn Caron

Pennsylvania
10/1/55 - 10sh - # 1834
Edward Penington; not Pennington
~~8/15/58~~ 8/15/20/58 - 10sh #13711
Joseph Wharton, Jr; not Wharton
5/1/60 - Isaac Paschall; not Issac Pascall

✓ 3/20/71 – 10sh – # 2216
Jacob Shoemaker ; not Shoemaker Jr

South Carolina

✓ 3/5/76 – £2 – #865 – Sam'l Prioleau Jr ; not Prioleau

✓ 12/23/76 #8 – # 2083 – John Dart _ ; not Dart, Jr

Now for the interesting data —

New Jersey

City of New Brunswick – 1/7/91/ 1d

✓ Obverse – John Plum (Committee) – no #

Reverse – 1d – A. Blauvelt Printer

Candidates for New Plate Bills
– Better than those now being illustrated –

New York

Yes Possible

9/15/55 – £2 – #1327 – almost unc

4/21/60 – £10 – # 10 – magnificent unc. crisp.

Georgia

1766-7 Savannah Court House – crisp, immaculate

✓ – a remainder with one signature

South Carolina

1/1/70 – £10 – # 1962 – has the complete indent which present plate does not have

I went through the Bank of North America material to the extent logically possible

and found:—

(1) undated - incomplete - $20 - 179_

(2) undated - incomplete - $30 - 17__

(3) completed - backed - $20 - 6/9/1794
J. Nixon - Pres.
Richard Wells - Treas.

I looked at the "plates" after lugging about 50 lbs. of metal from the 4th floor to the 2nd floor and found -- engravings of the Bank's Presidents and a number of plates for bills for the early and mid - 1800s but nothing prior to 1800; so I have nothing new to report to you on that score.

I have, as you see, a number of North Carolina photos -- am still wrestling for possession -- I hope they are useful -- The large glossy is completely accurate as to size -- look at the date -

May 28, 1757 I think you use May 16, 1757 as the session. Mightn't the actual date of the act be better?

If you don't have the following, it might be of value

North Carolina
4/4/48

4d - denomination in circle
8d - "
1s - "
1s 6d - denomination in circle
2s - Thistle
2s 6d - Crowned Rose
3s - Plumes
5s - Crown
6s - Fleur De Lis
7s 6d - Harp
9s - Lion
10s - Horse
15s - Lion Rampant
20s - Unicorn
30s - Winged Cap
40s - Drum, Cannon, Flags
£3 - Fort

North Carolina – two signatures
3/9/54
8d – Wild Bear
15¢ – Monogram

I'll hold this letter for a few days, waiting for my latest points to return; then I'll forward everything to you

Hope you enjoyed your trip thoroughly.

When will you get North & Wanted love to visit with you but can't leave N.Y.C. in near future.

Don't worry; I'll get to the Bank of New York shortly with your requests

The Very Best To You

Joe

P.S Will forward the Continental Currency signers list whenever you want it, just ask Best Again

P.P.S. I have spoken to Harley Freeman concerning the way he ~~had~~ assembled the basic list of C.C. signatures you forwarded to me last spring.

Apparently Harley is getting really old, but what is of significance to you and me is that in my conversation with Harley, he indicated that he had obtained some of the signatures for his list from publications (including magazines) and that the list was not solely compiled from currency he had seen or owned. As a consequence, I am somewhat concerned about the reliability of his data. I've written for ~~magazine~~ publication (in magazines in the past) and I know only too well that it often doesn't meet adequate research standards.

— Signing Off Again

Jack

[illegible] 28/1/94

Dear Eric

[illegible] I was very glad to hear from you today & to see [illegible] I [illegible] very [illegible] well [illegible] of course, [illegible] as [illegible] I [illegible] have [illegible] the [illegible] good friends of mind and constant [illegible] the world.

My North Carolina friend has allowed me to go further into packing up his material and I have been inside some of the first [illegible] probably 4 (four) [illegible] are the few denominations of the N.C. 1/2/54 issues.

To my knowledge the following [illegible] exist

Hd a Penny (look at the [illegible], it doesn't seem to be a loan and the Penny existed in North Carolina in the 1700s)

b. Roy

c. Monogram
d. (I have not seen this variety, but it is logical to assume it exists. It probably is a combination of circle or lyre 8d)

8f a. Moth
b. Monogram
c. Wild pig
d. Decoration or circle

1sh. a. Swan
b. Snail
c. Seated Rodent (with decor.)
d. Monogram

As indicated, I've seen all of the above with the exception of the 4d (d) item. I'll try to get pictures. Keep your fingers crossed!

The enclosed Apple / Swan OC piece pictured is as I have described it to you on the phone. The Wing OC is clearly John Wright and James Engram's. Both are from the Princeton University Collection.

The first item as only Jo Kean CC wrote. I still am not satisfied that the signature is that of John Kean, the Bank of United States Cashier, but I would say much like your opinion. The JK letters on the Bank bill are distinctively attached together and the "K" so shaped conventionally rather than "K" as on the Bank of United States notes. But then I have the question: By employing only his initial, did Mr. J. Kean ~~[illegible]~~ write or employ a different ~~[illegible]~~ pattern of signature inscription than if he had used his full name? (2) Did he write in signing, quite different patterns? I don't really think the signature is the same John Kean -- although both Bank of the United States items are counterfeit, but as we now both know, the more carded ~~[illegible]~~ signers of CC most often appear on the 1/20/77 and 4/11/78 issues. Also, I think upon

it a bit and let me know what your conclusion is.

Best Regards

Joe

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

12/10/74

Dear Eric –

While packing the enclosed, I am reminded of my CC 5/20/77 Kean note. Have you looked at it? What is your conclusion? Could you please return it. Thanks

SHUFRO, ROSE & EHRMAN
63 WALL STREET, NEW YORK 10005 344-7760

Joe

12/8/74

Re: Continental Currency Signers

Dear Eric –

The product of my Continental Currency searches, with your invaluable guidance and counsel, is in the mails. You may use it in any way you choose for the new Early Paper Money of America volume.

I believe it (in data) to be 90–95% accurate, but I know that it is not 100% correct, as I'll discuss later in this letter. First let me describe the manner in which the notebook is structured; the reasons for inclusion of some names and the exclusion of others; minor corrections still needed, etc.

I. Inclusions: I (1) The basic list used as a starting point was the list set forth in Early Paper Money of America plus

(2) Any Additional signers authorized per the Journals of the Continental Congress

(3) Additional signatures that I have

seen in various collections during my travels

II Exclusions II (1) Spelling errors - i.e. where the Continental Congress authorized the signer more than once and the journals have two different spellings of the name, or the authorization was by name (yet) and the signer used only his initial etc.

(2) Names (shown to be) duplicated by review of available bills and photos combined with re interpretation of signatures (my signature who signed by names and initials etc)

(3) Names which may or may not have been on the original EPM of A list but which have been seen, to my knowledge, only on counterfeits (These are on a separate list at the end of the book).

III Presentation III (1) The three columns on page 1 are virtually self explanatory

a. Column 1 - the signer, if authorized more than once, will show all the authorization dates

b Column 2 - The spelling of the signature

as indicated from visual inspection of one or more bills with the spelling per the Journals of the Continental Congress set forth in parenthesis, if the latter spelling is different

2. Column 3 – the month and year of the issue or estimated signed.

Unfound (not seen) NON-SIGNERS (also possible non signers) IN THE LIST

IN | NOTEBOOK

Minor Adjustments needed → (2) I included in the notebook presentation

A. Are 3 names – Robert Bass, Kimmer Summer Bedford and John Lingrington, nominated per the Journals of the CC 5/11/78 with a number of other proposed signers but not appointed 8/12/78 as were the others. These 3 possible signers are included in the notebook.

Xerox Bill

B. W. Barker 7/76 – found at Mass Historical Society on #30 #4040 – You have a xerox – is the bill a counterfeit? sent by me

Send Xerox back

C. Lougheed, James – authorized 5/5/78 – I believe I sent you a photo of a 4/11/78 bill with his signature to you following my visit to Greenfield Village 5/3/74, but I'm not sure. If I have not

check it

Possible Non Signer

Not found (not seen)
Non-Signers

sent a photo of a longhand bill to you, I haven't seen one

D. Most IMPORTANTLY, included in the (Notebook) list are ~~[illegible]~~ eleven names for which I have seen neither actual bills nor JCC authorizations, i.e.

Anderson, J.
Condon, J.
Copperthwait, George -- James was authorized 8/8/78
Creery, Dennis -- might be Hans Creovey
Douglass, Wm -- might be Douglass, George
Hart, Thomas
Hitt, Dan
Jones, T.
McHenry, J.
Mease, James -- probably John Mease
Thompson, James

E. Also included in the list are 11 appointees of 8/8/78 who, also ~~[illegible]~~, to my knowledge ~~[illegible]~~ did not sign any bills -- and, collaterally, I suspect four additional ~~4~~ signers of other issues who were included in the 8/8/78 authorization did not sign the issue covered (4/11/78) by the authorization -- (appointed 8/8/78) the ~~[illegible]~~ non-signers of any issue are as follows: -

Coppenthwait, Joseph
Ellis, Joseph H.
Humphreys, Richard
Koppele, John
Lorimer, John
Lippes, Thomas
Longhead, James
Mehrit, Alexander
Paton, Robert
Pennel, Joseph
Pyle, Frederick

FALLIO f the remaining (6 six) unformed but authorized signatures are scattered -- I don't know why I have not formed them;

1/10/77 Gaither, Edward
8/14/78 Lewis, Francis Jr
8/14/78 Royson, James
5/29/79 Strong, Matthew
7/23/79 Schaffer, (Shaffer), David
8/6/79 Clarkson, John L.

Originally this is an error in the def. cc and is James. By you w/ signed 4/11/75 - otherwise the rest is Royson

A female woman who signed Penna 4/20/81 as Schaffer

Discussion:

In an attempt to determine logically why and how the various omissions have occurred, I first tried to construct a frequency ~~structure~~ distribution.

Actual signers not listed in the Journals of the Continental Congress

	# not shown
5/75	0
11/75	0
2/76	9
5/76	0
7/76	3-4 p. 2 (2) B W. Barker &
11/76	1
2/77	5
5/77	39
4/78	16
9/78	8
1/79	0

The above list makes it eminently clear that

(1) It is quite probable that I have not recorded all the 5/20/77 signers. You may recall that I sent you a xerox

of the Journals of CC
4/21/77 indicating Michael
Lillegas was given permission
to certify and appoint
signers without Congressional
resolution for an indefinite
period because Congress was
not certain of its own location
i.e. Phila, Balto, Lancaster, Yorktown,
therefore some of the [illegible] unfounded
signatures may be on 5/20/77
Bills

(2) Thirty men were appointed 8/8/78,
of these;

15 signed the 4/11/78 issue.
4 signed, to my knowledge other
issues. Possibly they signed
the 4/11/78 issue also
11 signed no issue.

It is possible that we ultimately
may find some additional signers
in the 4/11/78 group within
the currently unfounded group

(3) The frequency distribution of
on the preceding page
also highlights a third
aberration. There are

some actual signers of 2/17/76 (all signed fractionals only between 12/27/76 and 2/18/77) who are not listed in the Journals of the Continental Congress You will find that 6 of the 9 men in this group also signed 5/20/77 ~~[illegible]~~ Therefore, I suspect that, eventually, we may find 5/20/77 bills signed by C. Grier, Wm. Lux and John McAlester

(4) Carrying the logic of the 2/17/76 fractionals further, it appears that these 2/17/76 fractionals were issued three and possibly even four different times.

A. Looking at my notebook, it shows rather clearly that Cont. Congress would authorize an issue; then (normally) appoint signers (of the issue) five to three or four months later — after the issue actually had been printed

B. A number of the 2/17/76 signers were appointed 3/9/76, but a ~~another~~ second group, who signed only fractionals, apparently were first appointed between 12/27/76 and 2/18/77 --

[redacted] Furthermore, a third group seemingly was drawn from the signers of 5/20/77 bills. The fourth possible group was a small number of signers of the 4/11/78 issue who also signed the 2/17/76 issue, but [redacted] - as far as I am concerned - I haven't satisfactorily proven this last thesis myself as yet.

Addenda.

1. I have omitted Wm. Young from the signers of the 5/20/77 issue because I have seen it only on a 5/20/77 counterfeit. His JCC authorization was 1/14/77

2. The [redacted] 1/14/79 James Wilson bill used in identification herein is an amanuensis bill.

3. I am no longer satisfied with Jn Caron on N.C. 5/10/80, I've seen some more bills and now am certain it is J. W. Caron. I will try to get a xerox.

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December, 1974, from Jamaica

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Dear Joe:

I have gone over your wonderful note book of fascinating Continental Currency data. It is a great piece of work. I have studied it intensely and you will get full credit for the work. I will submit it to you when I have written it up. I have a series of questions for your opinion.

1. I think I'll put the ctf sigs in the regular list and mark them so. Anyone looking should be able to find the name without looking in a separate ctf list. Yes or no? Yes

2. Do you think I should list the names with last name last and with Hillegas for authority for May, 1777 signers, thus: last name first

same { April 11, 1773 / Sept 1, 1778

	Authorization	Issues Signed
William Adcock	8/8/78	Apr. '78; Sept. '78
William Aisquith	12/26/76	Nov. '76; Feb. '77; May '77.
S. Bain	Hillegas	May '77.
J. Duncan	Ficticious as per Broadside	Apr. '78 Counterfeits.

3. In some instances people with the same last name signed without authority. I suspect members of the same family signed for the appointed member but used their own names. This would account for Charles Alexander, C. Dorsey, T. Jones, R. Smith, G. Young. Is this too far fetched? Can have

4. Joe Gaither followed Ed Gaither by a month in authorization. Maybe Joe got sick or croaked.

5. What happened to Paul Cox, J. Kuhn (is this Hahn?), Samuel Wetherill (is this Meredith or Caldwell?), ~~C. Wiener~~? Did they get ousted by you for any specific reason. Please advise. Yes Kiener

6. I'll get the other data on G. Conner from my note when I get home. 4/1/78 $40 #6240

7. Were signers authorized for a specific issue or indefinitely or for no particular time or as a ratification.? Why were some signers authorized on several occasions? No specific period.

Happy New Year and thanks again,

Eric P. Newman

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Well, I guess that's all for now. I'll continue to try to get the N.C. data for you, but it hasn't been easy. The crotchety old — — doesn't ease my life.

Have a Great Holiday Season —

Best —

Joe

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Alexander, Mark 1/8/77

All, Isaac 8/14/77

Anderson, J.

Ash, James 3/9/76

✓ Bain, S.

Baird, Samuel

Baker, Christopher 7/23/77

Baker, Charles

Barclay, Thomas 7/25/75

Barnes, Cornelius 12/10/75

Barney, John 2/12/77

Barron, Theodore 12/2/76

~~Barrell, Thomas~~

~~Barton, Thomas Jr~~ 7/25/75

Barton, Thomas, Jr. 77

Bass, Robert 8/11/78

Bayard, John 7/25/75

Bedford, Emmery 8/11/78

Bedford, Gunning 8/12/78

Billmeyer, J. ~~7/6/78~~

Bond, George 2/23/77

Bond, Phineas 12/11/75 3/9/76

Boyd, John 12/29/76

Brannon, Benjamin 3/7/76

Bright, George 5/20/77

Brook, Clement 2/12/77

Brown, G.

Bryson, S.

Buchanan, R.

Budd, G.

Budd, Levi 5/22/77

Bullock, Joseph 9/8/78 3/1/76

Bunner, Andrew 7/25/

Caldwell, Samuel 12/11/

Calhoun, James

Campbell, George 12/1/75 3/9/76

Carleton, Joseph 2/2/79

Carroll, Daniel 2/18/77

Cather, Robert 5/8/78 2/23/77

Cist, Charles 7/23/77

Clarkson, Matthew 12/1/75 3/9/76

Claypoole, J.

Clymer, Daniel 7/25/75 12/1/75 3/9/76

Coale, Sam'l Stringer 1/21/77

Coats, William 3/9/76 5/23/79

Cockey, John 12/27/76

Coit, Joseph 2/23/79

Colladay, William 5/21/77

Collins, Stephen 12/11/75 3/9/76

Comegys, Cornelius 5/3/77 2/22/77

Condon, J.

Conner, G.

Coombe, Thomas 7/25/75 12/1/75 3/9/76

Copperthwait, George

Copperthwait, Joseph 5/8/78

Courtenay, Hercules 12/27/76

Cox, Paul 2/23/79

Craig, William 7/25/75

Cranch, N.

Creery, Dennis

Creevey, Hans 2/12/77

Crispin, William 12/1/75

Cromwell, Richard 12/27/76

Doisey, R.

Dorsey, Robert 1/8/77

~~Dorsey, John 1/10/77~~

Donnell, Nathaniel 2/23/77

Donnellan, Thomas 12/27/76

Dorsey, John

Douglas, George

Douglass, William

Duncan, David 3/9/76

Dundas, James 2/23/77

Edison, Thomas 2/23/79

Eichelberger 5/19/77

Ellis, Joseph H. 8/8/78

Elms, S.

Eppele, Henry 7/23/

Evans, Joel 12/1/75 3/9/76

Evans, Robert 3/9/76

Ewing, T.

Eyres, Henry

✓ Eyres, Richard

Farmer, Lewis 8/8/78

~~Ferrell, Patrick~~

Ferrall, Patrick 8/6/

Foulke, Judah 7/25/75

Fox, Edward 8/8/78

Franklin, James 2/1/79

Antimyzation dates

Authorization Dates

CONTINENTAL CURRENCY

Fuller, Benjamin 12/11/75
Gaston, Richard
Gaither, Edward 8/10/77
Gaither, Joseph 2/4/77
Gamble, William 2/23/79
Gardner, Joseph 2/25/79
Garrigues, J.
Garrison, Nicholas 12/11/75 3/9/76
Gibson, William 2/11/77 11/8/77
Govett, William 12/27/76
Gray, George, Jr. 3/9/76
Gray, Isaac
Gray, William
Graff, Jacob Jr 7/23/79
✓ Graff, John
Graff, John, Jr. 5/29/79
Gray, Isaac 2/23/79
Gray, William 8/8/78
Gray, W. 5/29/79
Griffith, Dennis 2/8/77
Griffith, John
Griffiths, John 12/27/76
Hammond, William 2/12/77
Hardy, William 8/8/78
Hart, Thomas
Hazelhurst, Isaac 7/25/75
Hazlehurst, Isaac 12/11/75 3/11/76
Hazlehurst, Robert 3/9/76
Hazlewood, John 5/29/79
Helm, John 4/27/79
✓ Herandez, C.
Hewes, Josiah 3/9/76

Hillegas, Samuel 12/27/76 3/9/76
Hitt, Dan
Hopkinson, T.
Howard, John 3/9/76
Howell, Isaac 12/11/75 3/9/76
Hubley, Adam 3/9/76
Hubley, Joseph 8/8/78
Humphreys, Richard 8/8/78
Jackson, William 7/25/75
Jacobs, Benjamin 3/9/76
Johns, Richard 1/8/77
Johnson, Horatio 2/13/77
Johnson, Rinaldo 1/31/77
Johnson, James
Johnston, James 3/9/76
Jones, Robert Strettle 7/25/75
Jones, S.
Jones, T.
Kaighn, John 3/9/76
Kammerer, Henry 7/23/79
Kean, J.
Kelsey, James
Kelso, John 12/27/76
Keppele, John 8/8/78
Ker, Joseph
Ker, Joseph 2/23/79
Kimmell, Michael 7/23/79
Kinsey, Philip 3/9/76
Kuhl, Frederick 7/25/75 3/11/76 12/11/75
Kuhn, J.
✓ Kurtz, Peter

Lardner, John 8/8/78
Lawrence, John 2/23/79
Lawrence, Thomas 7/25/75
Leacock, John 2/23/79
~~Leech, Thomas~~
Leech, Thomas 3/9/76
Leiper, Thomas 8/8/78
Lester, G.L. ~~8/10/77~~
Levy, Benjamin 12/27/76
Lewis, C.
Lewis, Ellis 7/25/75
Lewis, Francis, Jr. 8/14/78
Lewis, Mordecai 7/25/75 3/9/76 12/11/75
Lingrington, John 8/11/78
Little, James 8/14/78
Loughead, James 8/8/78
Lux, Darby 2/15/77
Lyon, Samuel 2/23/77
✓ Maccubin, Zachariah
Mackubin, Zachariah 2/7/77
Mahon, J.
Marshall, William 8/14/78 8/11/78
Massey, Samuel 3/9/76
Masoner, Jacob 5/29/79
Masoner, H.
Masters, William 3/9/76
Mcalister, A.
McHenry, J.
Mease, James
Mease, John 7/25/75 8/8/78 12/11/75 3/11/76
Meredith, Samuel 7/25/75

W

Milflin, George 7/25/75
Milligan, James 7/25/75 3/9/76
Mitchel, C.
✓ Momegan, W.
Morris, Anthony 7/25/75 3/9/76
Morris, Anthony, Jr. 12/11/75
Morris, Luke 7/25/75
Morris, Samuel 7/25/75 3/9/76 12/11/75
Morris, Samuel C. 12/11/75 2/23/76
Morris, Thomas 12/11/75 2/9/76
Muir, F.
Mullan, Robert 2/23/79
Nesbit, Alexander 8/8/78
Nesbit, John Maxwell 7/25/75
Nevell, Thomas 2/23/79
Nicholas, Samuel 2/23/79
Nicholson, John 2/23/79
Norris, Aquila 2/7/77
Nourse, Joseph 8/14/78
Ord, John 12/11/75 3/9/76
Parker, Joseph 12/11/75 3/11/76
Parr, C.
Patterson George 1/14/77
Patton, Robert 8/8/78
Peale, St. George 2/1/77
Pearson, Isaac 3/9/76
Pennell, Joseph 8/8/78
Peters, T.

CONTINENTAL CURRENCY

Authorization dates.

Philips, John 1/8/77
Phillips, Frederick 5/5/78

Pierce, John 12/11/75 3/9/76
Ramsey, William 8/5/79

Read, James 12/11/75

Read, John

Redmond, Joseph 3/9/76

Reed, James 7/25/75

Reed, John 5/22/79

Reintzel, D.

Roberts, Robert 12/11/75 3/9/76 2/23/77
Robert, Robert 2/11/78

Ross, James

Rotarock, J.

Round, Hampton 2/13/79

Rowan, James 8/14/78

Royson, James 8/14/78

Rush, William 8/11/78 8/12/78

Russell, T.

Ryves, C.

Salter, John 3/9/76

Salter, William

Schreiner, Jacob 7/23/79

Scott, William

Sellers, John 3/9/76

Sellers, Nathan 3/9/76

Sellers, Samuel 3/9/76

Shaffer, David, Jr. 7/23/79

Shaw, John, Jr. 3/9/76

Sheaffe, William 8/8/78

Shee, John 7/25/75 12/11/75 8/14/78

Shee, Walter 3/9/76

Shubart, Michael 7/23/79

Simmons, Ludson 2/23/77

Sims, Joseph 7/23/75

Smith, Belcher P. 2/23/79

Smith, Jonathan B. 12/11/75 3/9/76

Smith, R.

Smith, Thomas 12/11/75 3/9/76

Snowden, Jedediah 8/8/78 2/23/77

Snowden, Joseph 8/8/78

Spear, William

Sprogell, Ludwick
Sprogell, Ludovie 2/23/79

Stewart, D.

Stretch, Peter 8/8/78 3/9/76

Stretch, William 2/23/79

Stringer, Richard 2/1/77

Strong, Matthew 5/29/79

Summers, D.

Swaine, Francis 7/23/79

✓ Sweny, T.

Taylor, John 2/13/77

Thompson, James

Thorne, William 8/8/78

Tilghman, Tench 3/9/76

Tucknss, Robert 7/25/75 12/11/75 3/9/76

Tybout, Andrew 3/9/76

Walker, James 8/12/77

Walter, Joseph 8/8/78

Warren, Thomas

Watkins, Joseph 3/9/76 2/23/79

Watkins, Joseph, Jr. 12/11/75

Watson, J.

Webb, William 12/11/75 3/9/76

Welch, George
Welch, George 12/27/76

Wetherill, Samuel 2/23/79

Wharton, James 12/11/75

Wheelen, Isaac
Whelen, Israel 3/9/76

Wiener, C.

Williams, John 3/9/76 5/22/79

Wilson, James* 8/8/78 7/23/79

Wilson, Joseph 8/14/78

Wistar, Daniel 5/29/79

Wister, Joseph

Wright, John

Young, John, Jr. 8/8/78

Young, Moses 2/23/79

Young, William 1/14/77

Rathbrook appointed 2/17/76
~~Pocklington~~ " ~~2/26/77~~
J. Graff " 9/26/78
C. Hernandez " 9/26/78
R. Eyres " 9/26/78
S. Bain " 5/20/77
T. Sweny " 5/20/77

Kurtz 4/11/78 appointed
Monegan 4/11/78 "
Ross 4/11/78 "
Reintzel 4/11/78 "
John Reed 1/14/79 "

because the treasurer was given authority to appoint signers and no list of appointees has been found.

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Alexander, Mark
All, Isaac
Anderson, J.
Ash, James
Bain, S.
Baird, Samuel
Baker, ~~Charles~~ Christopher (Christ)
Barclay, Thomas
Barnes, Cornelius
Barney, ~~John~~ Joshua (Jos)
Barrell, ~~Thomas~~ Theodore
Barton, Thomas, Jr.
Bass, Robert
Bayard, John
~~Bedford, Emmery~~
Bedford, Gunning
Billmeyer, J.
Bond, George

Bond, Phineas
Boyd, John
Brannon, Benjamin
Bright, George
Brook, Clement
Brown, G.
Bryson, S.
Buchanan, R.
Budd, G.
Budd, Levi
Bullock, Joseph
Bunner, Andrew
Caldwell, Samuel
~~Calhoun, James~~ (Calhoun) Calhoun
Campbell, George
Carleton, Joseph
Carroll, Daniel (Dan)
Cather, Robert
Cist, Charles
Clarkson, Matthew
Claypoole, J.

Clymer, Daniel
Coale, Sam'l Stringer
Coats, William
Cockey, John
Coit, ~~Joseph~~ Joshua (Jos)
Colladay, William
Collins, Stephen
Comegys, Cornelius
~~Condon, J.~~
Conner, G.
Coombe, Thomas
Copperthwait, George
Copperthwait, Joseph (George)
~~Courtenay~~ Courtney (Courtenay), Hercules
Cox, Paul
Craig, William
Cranch, N.
Creery, Dennis
Creevey, Hans
Crispin, William
~~Doisey, R.~~

Donnell, Nathaniel (Donald)
Donnellan, Thomas
Dorsey, John
Douglas, George (William)
~~Douglass, William~~
Duncan, David
Dundas, James
Edison, Thomas
Ellis, Joseph H.
Elms, S.
~~Eppele~~ Eppke, Henry
Evans, Joel
Evans, Robert
Ewing, T.
Eyres, Henry
Eyres, Richard
Farmer, Lewis
Ferrall, Patrick
Foulke, Judah
Fox, Edward (Edwin)
Franklin, James

Philpot, John

Phyle, Frederick

Purviance, John

Ramsey, William

Read, James

Read, John

Redman, Joseph

~~Reed, James~~

~~Reed, John~~

Reintzel, D.

Roberts, Robert
Roberts, Robert, Jr.

Ross, James

Rothrock, J.

~~Round, Hampton~~

Rowan, James
Round, Hampton

Royson, James

Rush, William

Russell, T.

Ryves, C.

~~Salter, John~~
Sailor John

Salter, William

Schreiner, Jacob

Scott, William

Sellers, John

Sellers, Nathan

Sellers, Samuel

Schaffer (Shaffer)
~~Shaffer~~, David, Jr.

Shaw, John, Jr.

Sheaffe, William

Shee, John

Shee, Walter
Short, J.
Charles Shoemaker

Shubart, Michael

Simmons, Ludson

Sims, Joseph

Smith, Belcher P.

Smith, Jonathan B.

Smith, R.

Smith, Thomas

Snowden, Jedediah

Snowden, Joseph

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Wetherill, Samuel

Wharton, James

Whelen, Israel

Wiener, C.

Williams, John

Wilson, James*

Wilson, Joseph

Wistar, Daniel

Wister, Joseph

Wright, John

Young, John, Jr.

Young, Moses

Young, William

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Gardner, Joseph
Garrigues, J.
Garrison, Nicholas
Gibson, William
Govett, William
Gray, George, Jr.
Gray, Isaac
Gray, William
Graff, Jacob, Sr.
Graff, John
Graff, John, Jr.
Gray, I.
Gray, W.
Griffith, Dennis
Griffiths, John
Hahn, M.
Hammond, William
Hardy, William
Hart, Thomas
Hazlehurst, Isaac
Hazlehurst, Robert
Hazlewood, John
Helm, John
Herandez, C.
Hewes, Josiah

Hillegas, Samuel
Hitt, Dan
Hopkinson, T. J.
Houston, John
Howard, John
Howell, Isaac
Hubley, Adam
Hubley, Joseph
Humphreys, Richard
Irwin, Robert
Jackson, William
Jacobs, Benjamin
Johns, Richard
Johnson, Horatio
Johnson, Rinaldo
Johnston, James
Jones, Robert Strettle
Jones, S.
Jones, T.
Kaighn, John
Kammerer, Henry
~~Kean, J.~~
Kelso, John
Keppele, John
Ker, Joseph
Kimmell, Michael
Kinsey, Philip
Kuhl, Frederick
Kuhn, J.
Kurtz, Peter

Lardner, John
Lawrence, John
Lawrence, Thomas
Leacock, John
Leech, Thomas
Leiper, Thomas
Leiper, G. T.
Levy, Benjamin
Lewis, C.
Lewis, Ellis
Lewis, Francis, Jr.
Lewis, Mordecai
Lingrington, John
Little, James
Loughead, James
Lux, Darby
Lux, William
Lyon, Samuel
Mackubin, Zachariah
Mahon, J.
Marshall, William
Massey, Samuel
Masoner, Jacob
~~Masoner, H.~~
Masters, William
McAlister, A.
McHenry, J.
~~Mease, James~~
Mease, John (James)
Meredith, Samuel

Mifflin, George
Milligan, James
Mitchel, C.
Momegan, W.
Morris, Anthony, Jr.
~~Morris, Anthony, Jr.~~
Morris, Luke
~~Morris, Samuel~~
Morris, Samuel C.
Morris, Thomas
Muir, F.
~~Mullan~~ Mullan
Mullan, Robert
Nesbit, Alexander
Nesbit, John Maxwell
Nevell, Thomas
Nicholas, Samuel
Nicholson, John
Norris, Aquila
Nourse, Joseph
Ord, John
Paisley, J.
Parker, Joseph
Parr, C.
Patterson, George
Patton, Robert
Peale, St. George
Pearson, Isaac
Pennel,
Pennell, Joseph
Peters, Thomas

Cant find Barker to
determine yea or nay

7/22/76

#30
Mass Hist Soc
#4090

[illegible]

Answered 1/22/75

1/14/75

Dear Eric -

I've intended to call for the past week to thank you for the 2/17/76 material, but getting all my client data on the C.S. Lawrence computer accurately has taken 23 hours a day. I'm finally beginning to see daylight; so here goes.

(1) My Heiner signature determination comes from a clear copy at the N.Y. Public Library; so I'll stick to the "e" before ":" rather than the ~~ex~~ ":" before "e". I believe that the Germanic derivation of the name also tends to support my reading of the name i.e. Heine, Stein, Fein, Klein etc.

I agree

2. An error in my listing of CC Signers - Aisquith is 12/27/76; not 12/26/76

3. Another error in my CC Signers Listing - Sam'l Massey signed 7/76 to my knowledge; not 5/76

4. A third error CC Signers - Jacob Graff was authorized 1/23/79 and not 2/23/79

Could you please recheck the following on your 2/17/76 list to me.

wrong 11/76

James Calhoun #5 } probably the
James Walker #5 } same bill } It's the first I've heard of, but it's possible from the Congressional authorizations.

Barker #1 - This name does not appear in authorizations covering the 2/17/76 issue or any other.

Jos Parker — Is it Jos Parker or a counterfeit?

Nathan — Sellers Wm #4 - Is this Nathan or a ctf?

Garrison — Gannon #2/#3 - Is this Garrison?

Dennis — Griffith #3 - Is it Dennis or John?

I've carried my 2/17/76 fractional study along further and find my "Starting"

Conclusions just plain baldendash. It would have be great to find something unusual about this issue, but I now ~~[illegible]~~ say that I had a correct but fundamentally ~~[illegible]~~ misleading answer. As an example, I was wrong because I have found that of the 14 men (who were given) ~~authorized to sign~~ their initial authority to sign currency between 7/23/79 (yes, that date is correct) and 8/14/79 (the last authorization I have found), six signed the 9/78 issue in addition to signing the 1/79 issue, so I still stagger along. At least I have sense enough not to publish until I have an accurate research job under my belt -- so, you (see, Yoshi) ~~[illegible]~~ a mentor I wish to emulate

Cordially —

Joe

Cont signature,

Combing CC 5/20/07 #7 # 8
5/20/07 #7 # 22272
Are Sand Bain
and S Bain the same

Sammy Bedford rejected error

Calhoun is wrong Hes Calhoun

All Other (probably ~~possible~~ fictious. only)
Cottfrion — probably fictious)

Check Condon Sumell
Check Tego Carpetbrant Sound of any
Dennis Creery Thomas Hart James Thompson
William Douglas Dan Hitt T Jones
S Jones
(Barnstable) Dorsey J Kean (maybe Kahn) A McAlister W Sadler on cff.
J. McHenry
James Pease

✓ J. Hopkinson and T. Hopkinson
Anthony Morris
Anthony Morris & Anthony maybe the same as ~~Morris Anthony~~ Jr.

✓ Samuel Morris & Samuel C Morris are the same

✓ Female Shaffer combine with Schaffer

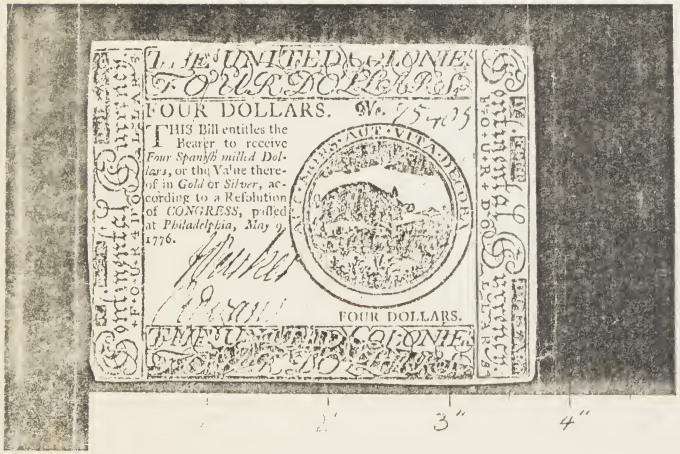
11/17/75

Dear Eric —

Note the top and bottom borders. An unusual error.

Best —

Jack



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All of May 9, 1776 are wrong way
No others are
Blue sheet wrong

Memo from

JOSEPH R. LASSER

1/22/75

Dear Eric -

Here are two summary sheets. You now can see how I have drawn my conclusions.

Best

Joe

Figures 9 & 1 Sto
in the Journals of ICC
(J.R.) permanent
research

	Initials	Date
Prepared By		
Approved By		

Issue	No. Not Shown
May '75	0
November '75	0
Feb '76	10 (all fractional)
May '76	0
July '76	3
Nov. '76	1
Feb '77	5
May '77	36
April '78	16
Sept. '78	8
~~Sept~~ Jan 79	0

Form H556 (uff - Form G556 Green

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1777

A letter of the 18 and 19, from General Washington;

One, of the 19th, from the Pensylvania board of war; and a note from Dr. G. Clarkson, in behalf of Colonel Zedwitz, were laid before Congress and read:[1]

Ordered, That the letter from General Washington be referred to the Board of War; that from the Pensylvania board of war to the Board of Treasury; and that from Dr. Clarkson to the Medical Committee.

Resolved, That James Mease, ‖clothier general,‖ be directed to deliver to General Mifflin, quarter master general, or his order, all the cloth in his hands, fit for tents.

Congress agreeable to the order of the day, proceeded to consideration of the report from the committee of the whole house on the Articles of Confederation; and, after debate,

Resolved, That the farther consideration be postponed to Friday next.

Resolved, That Michael Hillegas, Esqr ‖treasurer‖, be authorized and directed to appoint and qualify such a number of additional signers of money as he shall judge necessary, and send to Congress a certificate of such appointment and qualification; and that the said signers proceed on the business aforesaid until discharged by Congress.

The several matters to this day referred, being postponed,

Adjourned to 10 o'Clock to Morrow.

[1] The letter from Washington is in the *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 152, IV, folio 83. It is printed in *Writings of Washington* (Ford), V, 330.

Journals of the Continental Congress

1777 p. 287

1/25/75

Dear Eric -

I guess you are accustomed to my scribbling by now. Here are my corrections to your listing of CC signers and my suggestions

(1) I would prefer that you list the counterfeit bill issues on the right side of the list, while maintaining your excellent parenthetical name list on the left. (See Bryson p. 1.)

(2) Appointment Dates - why not take a portion of my enclosed article data; insert a line or two in the text e.g. "Hillegas apparently held the powers of appointment from 4/21/77 to 8/7/78" and make all the appropriate "Appointment Dates" - - "Hillegas". I hope you are satisfied with my attempt at proof in the enclosed article.

(3) I still can't accept "some signers seem to have let members of their family sign --". Either you nor I have any proof (to my knowledge) of any family relationship. The only thing we can say with certainty is that their surnames are the same. By pattern and logic, I can support the "Hillegas" thesis via my analytical spread sheets, but the surname project can only be verified through search of genealogical or historical records.

(4) Please look at my scribbled note covering P2 on your text sheet. I think it is a possible answer to "a few signers who (and I think you should include a qualifying word such as apparently) have no specific authorization --"

(5) As I pointed out in a preceding letter, the first Congressional post Hillegas appointment of

8/8/78 of 30 men
contains the names of 11 men
whose signatures have not been
found on Continental Currency
per your accompanying
list -- and they represent
more than half of the
total incomplete data group.
Do you think a comment
is in order?

You make the days
intellectually stimulating.

Best Always -

Jack

Illinois etc. etc
Hazlehurst, Graff, Sollers, Hubley, Young, Louis, Lawrence,

SIGNERS OF CONTINENTAL CURRENCY

Continental Currency bills of One Dollar and over were hand signed by two appointees, one signature in brown ink and one in red ink. Fractional denominations were signed by one person in ink of either color. Most appointees were private citizens nominated by Treasury officials and elected by ballot in the course of formal proceedings of the Continental Congress. Some of those nominated weren'ot elected. There were almost 300 different signers of Continental Currency, this being so large a number that signatures were rendered useless to the public as a means of counterfeit detection. Sometimes appointees were designated for a specific issue, but other authorizations were not limited as to issues to be signed. Signing took place over an extended period following the authorization of an issue. Signers were given 200 sheets of bills to sign at one time and gave a receipt on delivery. John Mease was named as a signer on four occasions. Joseph Watkins actually signed six issues, but most signers participated only in one or two issues. Signers were paid for their work either on a piece work or on an hourly basis. They were also required to number the bills in ink. Some signers seem to have let members of their family sign for them at times and in some instances the substitutes used their own names instead of that of the authorized signer. On April 21, 1777, Michael Hillegas, Treasurer of the Congress, was delegated to appoint signers and to certify their names to Congress. No such list of appointments or of certification has been located and it is assumed herein that all of those who signed the issues of May 20, 1777, April 11, 1778, and September 26, 1778, without being directly named by the Congress were such Hillegas appointees.

really doesn't buy this. Check Capt. book of Eirons, Gov. Hart

The spelling of names of signers is complicated by the fact that the records of authorization sometimes differ as to spelling from one another and from the actual signatures on the bills. Where variations occur the actual signature on the bills is listed as proper and any deviation noted in parenthesis. There are a few signers who have no specific authorization in the records in addition to those who are assumed to be appointees of Hillegas. There are some fictitious signatures and some accidently misspelled signatures on counterfeit bills, but most counterfeits have properly spelled forged signatures. The official Broadside describing a few of the counterfeits designates R. Davis and J. Duncan as fictitious signatures on the $40 counterfeits of April 11, 1778. There are some signatures which are difficult to decifer as well as other matters of uncertainty. It is hoped that readers will report any additional signature data to enable the listing to be further refined.

OK

The research involved in revising and expanding the alphabetical listing set forth below was most complex and required a review of many major collections, extensive biographical coordination and careful analysis of uncertainties. This was graciously and enthusiastically undertaken by Joseph R. Lasser of Scarsdale, New York, to whom the author is most grateful.

decipher

A final note of caution. [illegible] to few signers who [illegible] have been omitted from [illegible] in the Journals. We [illegible] Journals [illegible]

NAMES OF SIGNERS	APPOINTMENT DATES	ISSUES SIGNED
Adcock, William	1/8/78	4/11/75, 9/26/78
Aisquith, William	12/24/76	11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/26/77
Alexander, [redacted] Charles	Possible substitute for Mark Alexander (?)	9/26/78
Alexander, Mark	1/8/77	11/2/76, 2/26/77
All, Isaac	8/14/78	9/26/78
Ash, James	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76 [add 7/22/76]
Bain, S.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Baird, Samuel	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77, 4/11/78
Baker, Christopher (Charles)	7/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Barclay, Thomas	7/25/75, 12/11/75	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 1/14/79 ©
Barnes, Cornelius	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Barney, Joshua (John)	2/12/77	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/26/77
Barrell, Theodore	12/27/76	2/17/76, 11/2/76
Barton, Thomas Jr.	7/25/75	5/10/75
Bayard, John	7/25/75, 12/11/75	5/10/75, 11/29/75
Bedford, Gunning (Emmery)	8/12/78	9/26/78
Billmeyer, J.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Bond, George	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Bond, Phineas	12/11/75, 3/9/76	[redacted] 11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Boyd, John	12/27/76	7/22/76, 11/2/76
Brannan (Brannon), Benjamin	3/9/76, 1/4/77	~~[illegible]~~ 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76, 11/2/76
Bright, George	5/22/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Brooke (Brook), Clement	2/12/77	11/2/76
Brown, G	~~Possible Hillegas appointee~~	4/11/78
Bryson, James	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77, 4/11/78
(Bryson, S. ©)		5/20/77 £, 4/11/78 ©, 9/26/78 ©
(Brisson, S ©)		

You should put in the counterfeit issues signed by these counterfeit names throughout

NAMES OF SIGNERS	REPORT OUT DATES	ISSUE & SIGN
Buchanan, R.	—	2/26/77
Budd, G	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Budd, Levi	5/22/79	3/26/78, 1/14/79
Bullock, Joseph	3/9/76, 8/8/78	2/17/76, 7/22/76
Bunner, Andrew	7/25/75, 12/11/75	5/10/75, 11/29/75
Caldwell, Samuel	12/11/75	11/29/75
Calhoun (Colhoun), James	12/27/76	11/2/76, 5/20/77
Campbell, George	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/8/76, 7/22/76
Carleton, Joseph	2/23/79	9/26/78
Carroll, Daniel	2/18/77	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77
Cather (Caither), Robert	8/8/78, 2/23/79	4/11/73, 9/26/78, 1/14/79
(Cather, M. (C))		9/26/78 (C)
(Carker, R. (C))		9/26/78 (C)
Christ, H. Jr.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Cist, Charles	7/23/79	5/20/77, 4/11/78
Clarkson, John L.	8/6/79	—
Clarkson, Matthew	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Claypoole, J.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Clymer, Daniel	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/16/75, 11/29/75, 2/17/76, 7/22/76
Coale, Samuel Stringer	1/31/77	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/20/77
Coale, W.	Possible substitute for Samuel Stringer Coale	5/10/76, 5/20/77, 5/20/77
Coats, William	3/9/76, 5/22/79	2/17/76, 3/26/78, 1/14/79
Cockey (Cokey) John	12/27/76	11/2/76
Coit, Joseph (Joshua)	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Colladay, William	5/29/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Colston, W.	—	9/26/78 (C)
Collins, Stephen	12/11/75, 8/11/75	11/29/75
Comegys, Cornelius	2/23/79, 5/13/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Conner, G.	—	4/11/78 (C)
Coombe, Thomas	1/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Copperthwait, Joseph	8/8/78	—

NAMES OF SIGNERS	AFFIDAVIT DATE	DATE
Courtenay (Courtney), Hercules	1/27/76	2/17/76 11/2/76
Cox, Paul	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Craig, William	/25/75	5/10/75
Cranch, N.	Probable Hillegas appointee	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Creevey (Creery), Hans	2/12/77	11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/26/77
Crispin, William	12/11/75	11/29/75
Cromwell, Richard	12/27/76	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/26/77
Daris, R	—	4/11/78 ©
Donnell (Donald), Nathaniel	8/8/75, 2/23/79	4/11/78, 9/26/78, 1/14/79
Donnellan, Thomas	12/27/76	2/17/76, 7/22/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/26/77
Dorsey, C.	Possible substitute for John or Robert Dorsey	11/2/76
Dorsey, John	1/12/77	11/2/76
Dorsey, Robert	1/8/77	11/2/76
Douglass, George	3/9/76	2/17/76
Duncan, David	3/9/76	2/17/76
Duncan, J	—	4/11/78 ©
Dundas, James	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Edison, Thomas	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Eichelberger, George	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Ellis, Joseph H.	8/8/78	—
Elms, S.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77, 9/26/78
Epple, Henry	7/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Evans, Joel	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Evans, Robert	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Ewing, T.	Probable Hillegas appointee	2/17/76, 5/20/77
Eyres, Henry	Probable Hillegas appointee	4/11/78
Eyres, Richard	Probable Hillegas appointee	9/26/76
Farmer, Lewis	8/8/78	9/26/78, ~~1/14/79~~
Ferrall, Patrick	8/6/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Foulke, Judah	7/25/75	5/10/75
Fox, Edward	8/8/78	4/11/78
Franklin, James	2/11/77	11/2/76
Fuller, Benjamin	12/11/75	11/29/75
Gaither (Gater), Edward	1/10/77	—
Gaither, Joseph	2/4/77	11/2/76
Gamble, William	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Gardner, Joseph	2/25/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79

add 4/11/78

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NAMES OF SIGNERS	APPOINTMENT DATE	[illegible]
Garrigues, J.	Probable Hillegas appointee	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Garrison, Nicholas	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Gibson, William	1/8/77, 2/11/77	11/2/76
Gerett, William	12/27/76	11/2/76, 5/20/77
Graff, Jacob	should be 2/27/79 — 4/23/79	1/14/79
Graff, John (Jr.)	5/29/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Gray, George Jr.	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Gray, Isaac	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Gray, William	8/8/78, 5/29/79	4/11/78, 9/26/78, 1/14/79
Grier, G.	—	2/17/76
Griffith, Dennis	2/8/77	2/17/76, 11/2/76
Griffith, (Griffiths), John	2/8/77	11/2/76, 2/26/77
Gutell, R.	—	9/26/78 (c)
Hahn, M.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Hammond, William	2/12/77	11/2/76
Hardy, William	8/8/78	5/20/77, 4/11/78, 9/26/78
Harvey, D.	—	9/26/78 (c)
Hazlehurst (Hazelhurst), Isaac	7/25/75, 12/11/75	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 2/17/76
Hazlehurst, Robert	3/9/76	2/11/76, 5/9/76
Hazlewood, John	5/29/79	5/20/77 — Add whole item
Helm, John	4/27/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Heiner, Casper		
Herandez, C.	Probable Hillegas appointee	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Hewes, Josiah	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Hiener, Casper — No!!	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Hillegas, Samuel	3/9/76, 12/27/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76, 11/2/76
Hopkinson, T.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Houston, J.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Howard, John	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Howell, Isaac	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Hubley, Adam	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76
Hubley, Joseph	8/8/78	4/11/78

NAMES OF SIGNERS	APPOINTMENT DATES	ISSUES SIGNED
Humphreys, Richard	8/8/77	—
Irwin, Robert	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Jackson, William	7/25/75	5/10/75
Jacobs, Benjamin	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Johns, Richard	1/8/77	11/2/76
Johnson, Heratio	2/13/77	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77
Johnson, Rinaldo	1/31/77	2/17/76, 7/22/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/20/77
Johnston (Johnson), James	3/9/76, 5/29/79	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76, 5/20/77
Jones, Robert Strettell	7/25/75	5/10/75
[redacted]		
Jones, S.	—	9/26/78 (C)
Kaighn, John	3/9/76	2/17/76
Kammerer, Henry	7/23/79	9/26/78
Kean, J.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Kelso, James	12/27/76	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77
Keppele, John	8/8/78	—
Ker (Kerr), Joseph	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Kimmell, Michael	7/23/79	1/14/79
King, John	—	9/26/78 (C)
Kinsey, Philip	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Kuhl, Frederick	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 11/3/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Kurtz, Peter	Probable Hillegas appointee	2/17/76 board 5/20/77, 4/11/78
Lardner, John	8/8/78	—
Lawrence, John	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Lawrence, Thomas	7/25/75	5/10/75
Leacock, John	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Leech, Thomas	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Leiper, Thomas	8/8/78	—
Lester, G. L.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77 (C) CC Gov. Now EPN
Lemon, W. Levy, Benjamin	12/27/76	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77
Lewis, C.	Possible substitute for Ellis or [redacted] Montreal Lewis	2/17/76, 2/26/77, 5/20/77
Lewis, Ellis	7/25/75	5/10/75, 11/3/75
Lewis, Francis, Jr.	8/14/78	—
Lewis, Mordecai	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Little, James	8/14/78	9/26/78
Loughead, James (not Lough head)	8/8/78	—
Lux, Darby	2/18/77	11/2/76

NAMES OF SIGNERS	APPOINTMENT DATES	ISSUES SIGNED
Lux, William	Possible substitute for Darby Lux	2/17/76
Lyon, Samuel	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Mackubin (Maccubin), Zachariah	2/7/77	11/2/76, 2/22/77
Mahon, J.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Marshall, William	8/11/78, 8/14/78	9/26/78
Masoner, Jacob	5/29/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Massey, Samuel	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Masters, William	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
McAlester, John	Possible substitute for A. [redacted] McCalister	2/17/76
McCalister, A.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Mease, John	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76, 8/8/78	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 2/17/76
Meredith, Samuel	7/25/75	5/10/75
Mifflin, George	7/25/75	5/10/75
Milligan, James	7/25/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 2/17/76
Mitchel, C.	Possible Hillegas appointee	4/11/78
Momegan, W	Possible Hillegas appointee	4/11/78
Morris, Anthony Sr.	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Morris, Luke	7/25/75	5/10/75
Morris, Samuel	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Morris, Samuel C.	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Muir, F.	Possible Hillegas appointee	2/17/76, 5/20/77
Mullan (Mullen), Robert	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Nesbit, Alexander	8/8/78	—
Nesbitt (Nesbit), John Maxwell	7/25/75	5/10/75
Nevell (Nevill), Thomas	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Nicholas (Nichols), Samuel	8/8/78, 5/29/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Nicholson, John	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Norris, Aquilla (Aquila single "l")	2/17/77	11/2/76, 2/22/77, 5/20/77
Nourse, Joseph	8/14/79	5/20/77, 9/26/78, 1/14/79
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
Ord, John	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Paisley, I.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Parker, Joseph	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Parr, C.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77

NAME	[illegible]	[illegible]
Patterson, George	1/14/7[illegible]	11/2/76
Patton, Robert	8/8/7[illegible]	—
Peale, St. George	7/1/77	11/2/76, 5/20/77, 5/20/77
Pearson, Isaac	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Pennel, Joseph	8/8/78	—
Peters, T.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
~~Philpot, John~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~
Phile, Frederick	8/8/78	—
Philpot, John	1/8/77	11/2/76
Purviance, John	12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 2/17/76
Ramsay (Lamsay), William	8/6/79	1/14/79
Read (Reed), James	7/25/75, 12/11/75	5/10/75, 11/29/75
Read (Reed), John	5/22/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Redman, Joseph	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Reintzel, D	Possible Hillegas appointee	4/11/78
Roberts, Robert Jr.	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 8/11/78	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 9/26/78
Roberts, Robert Sr.	3/2/76, 8/12/78, 2/23/79	2/17/76, 5/4/76, 4/11/78, 9/26/78, 1/14/79
Ross, James	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77, 4/11/78, 9/26/78
Rothrock, J.	Possible Hillegas appointee	2/17/76, 5/20/77, 4/11/78
Round (Round), Hampton	5/13/79	9/26/78
Rowan, James	8/14/78	9/26/78
Royson, James	8/14/78 (Is this James Bryson? See p.1)	
Rush, William	8/11/78, 8/15/78	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Russell, T.	—	7/22/76
Ryves, E	Possible Hillegas appointee	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Saltar (Salter), John (Salter, Wm. ©)	3/9/76	7/22/76. 1/14/79 ©
Schaffer (Shaffer), David Jr.	7/23/79	—
Schreiner, Jacob	7/23/79	1/14/79
Scott, William	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77

Sellers, John	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Sellers, Nathan	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Sellers, Samuel	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76
Shaw, John Jr.	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76
Sheaff (Sheaffe), William	8/8/78	4/11/78
Shee, John	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 8/14/78	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 7/22/76
Shee, Walter	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76
Shoemaker, Charles	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Short, J.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Shubart, Michael	7/23/79	9/26/78
Simmons, Ludovic (Lucon)	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Sims, Joseph Jr.	7/25/75	5/10/75
Smith, Belcher Peartree	2/23/79	5/20/77
Smith, Jonathan Bayard	12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 2/17/76, 7/22/76
Smith, R.	Possible Substitute for Jonathan B Smith	7/22/76, 2/24/77, 5/20/77
Smith, Thomas	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76
Snowden, Jedidiah	8/8/78, 2/23/79	5/20/77, 4/11/78, 1/14/79
Snowden, Joseph	8/8/78	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Spear, William	Possible Hillegas appointee	2/17/76, 2/26/77, 5/20/77
Sprogell, Lodowick (Ludovic)	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Steward, D. (Stewart) (Not Steward)	—	7/22/76
Stretch, Peter	3/9/76, 8/8/78	2/17/76
Stretch, William	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Stringer, Richard	1/21/77	11/2/76
Strong, Matthew	5/29/79	—
Summers, D.	Possible Hillegas appointee	4/11/78
Swaine, Francis	7/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Sweny, S. (T.)	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Taylor, John	2/13/77	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/20/77

Thorne, William	8/8/78	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Tilghman, Tench	3/9/76	2/17/76
Tuckniss, Robert	7/25/75, 12/11/75, 3/9/76	5/10/75, 11/29/75, 2/17/76, 3/9/76
Tybout, Andrew	3/9/76	2/17/76, 3/9/76, 7/22/76
Wade, F.	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Walker, James	2/13/77	11/2/76, 2/26/77
~~Walter, Joseph~~	~~3/8/75~~	
Walter, Joseph (Welter, D. ©)	8/8/78	9/26/78 9/26/78 ©
Warren, Thomas	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Watkins, Joseph	12/11/75, 3/9/76, 2/23/79	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76, 9/26/78, 1/14/79
Watson, J	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Webb, William	12/11/75, 3/9/76	11/29/75, 2/17/76, 5/9/76, 9/26/78
Welch (Welsh), George	12/27/76	2/17/76, 11/2/76, 2/26/77, 5/20/77
Wetherill, Samuel	2/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Wharton, James	12/11/75	11/29/75
Whelen (Wheelen), Israel	3/9/76	2/17/76, 7/22/76
Williams, John	3/9/76, 5/22/79	2/17/76, 9/26/78, 1/14/79
Wilson, James	8/8/78, 7/23/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
Wilson, Joseph	8/14/78	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Wister (Wistar), Daniel	5/29/79	9/26/78, 1/14/79
~~Wright, John~~		
Wister, Joseph	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77
Wright, John	Probable Hillegas appointee	5/20/77, 4/11/78

This may be an error. I believe my use of the word here is an emphasis

Young, John Jr.	8/8/78	4/11/78, 9/26/78
Young, Moses (Young, G. ©)	Probably Hillegas appointee and 2/23/79	5/20/77 5/20/77 ©
Young, William	1/14/77	11/[illegible]/76

Memo from

JOSEPH R. LASSER

1/28/75

Dear Eric –

Here's my concept on the CC signing picture. Any comments, criticism etc would be appreciated. Thanks –

Joe

Be consistent in dates either May 10, 1775 or 5/10/75

Continental Currency Signing Patterns:
When, Why and How

by Joseph R. Lasser

When the Second Continental Congress assembled in Philadelphia on May 10, 1775 it was faced with the paramount fact that the Revolutionary War had ~~begun~~ to be financially supported. Lexington and Concord had been written into history and ~~literally~~ while the delegates were assembling ~~for their first session;~~ Ethan Allen and Benedict Arnold were seizing Fort Ticonderoga.

~~But Wars cannot be fought without money.~~ Armies must be clothed, fed and paid. So on the very first day of its deliberations, Congress resolved to issue paper money based upon ~~on~~ taxes to be levied by each of the thirteen colonies. Thus, Continental Currency was born.

The first authorization (5/10/75) was modest in size, aggregating only $ 2 million, but ten issues and 41 resolutions later when the final emission was approved on November 29, 1779, some $242.1 million of Continental Currency had been authorized and $241.6 million had been issued by Congress.

At the start, the decisions relating to the amount and timing of a new emission were clear-cut and simple, and the mechanical processes of printing, authorization of signers, signing and distribution were neat and uncomplicated. However, before the last bill of the last issue was signed, the pressures and disarray of the Revolution had jumbled and obscured virtually all of the original guidelines.

A committee of John Adams, James Duane, Benjamin Franklin, John Rutledge and James Wilson was appointed to create designs, obtain "plates" and paper, and arrange for the printing of the initial May 10, 1775 emission. By mid-summer the bills were ready for signature and on 7/25/75 Congress authorized 28 Philadelphians to sign the new Continental Currency--two signatures to be affixed to each note. The bills were not printed from engraved plates but from set type and ~~cuts~~ decorative cuts.

A second issue was approved on 11/29/75 and a group of thirty six men ~~promptly~~ were named ~~to be~~ as signers on 12/11/75 . The ~~December 11th Congressional~~ resolution included 15 men previously authorized for the May 10,1775 bills, thereby tending to blur the effective time limit of the first authorization, and within two years the exigencies of the war had disrupted ~~procedures~~ practices to a point where there was no ~~readily visible~~ specified relationship between ~~Congress'~~ the designation of signers and the issues that the appointees actually signed. Necessity became the governing factor, effectively supplanting orderly systems.

issues bear the signatures of men who were designated by Hillegas, not Congress. Regrettably, Mr. Hillegas' papers have disappeared and, no one may ever know exactly either who or how many men were appointed to sign Continental Currency between 4/21/77 and 8/7/78. Paper money collectors have been left with the intriguing potential that they may today, possess, or in the future, acquire, Continental Currency with a previously unreported signature.

~~To the writer's knowledge,~~ At least 39 men not listed in the resolutions of the Journals of the Continental Congress signed the 5/20/77 issue -- and ~~most~~ probably there are more. Of this group, ten signed what apparently was an additional portion of the printed but unissued balance of the fractional currency of 2/17/76. Also, Hillegas must have been responsible for selecting 16 or more signers of the 4/11/78 "Yorktown" issue and at least eight of the signers of the 9/27/78 issue.

Following its return to Philadelphia in the summer of 1778, Congress evidenced its resumption of authority to appoint currency signers on August 8, 1778, with the designation of 30 men whose signatures are found on the 4/11/78 and 9/26/78 emissions. Eleven men were selected between 8/11/78 and 8/14/78 primarily for the 9/26/78 issue; then no more appointments were made until February 23/1779.

Between February 23, 1779 and August 14, 1779, a total of 60 men were selected to sign both the 9/26/78 issue and/or the 1/14/79 issue and the last signer, Joseph Nourse, a paymaster of the Board of War, was authorized on 8/14/79. Characteristic of the inconsistencies evidenced in the history of these authorizations, Mr. Nourse's signature is found on the 5/20/77 issue in addition to the 9/26/78 and 1/14/79 issues.

The final emission of the 1/14/79 issue was approved by Congress on November 29, 1779. Only about three and a half months later, on March 18, 1780, the era of Continental Currency drew to a close. Congress resolved that States could redeem Continental Currency with new Federally guaranteed state money on the basis of $1 of new money for each $40 of Continental Currency with the States remitting the redeemed Continental Currency to the Federal Government against their respective tax quotas.

With this action, Continental Currency almost immediately passed out of use and was relegated to history and numismatists.

The third and largest authorization of currency signers took place on March 9,1776. A total of 59 men were ~~named~~ elected primarily to sign the 2/17/76 issue, but these appointees also became the signers for the currency issued under the succeeding 5/9/76 and 7/22/76 resolutions.

When the fourth group of signers was appointed on 12/27/76, several were given the task of completing a portion of what appears to ~~be~~ have been a sizeable unsigned residue of the exceptionally large authorization of 2/17/76 fractional notes in addition to fulfilling their primary task of signing the 11/2/76 bills. Also, a number of these men were given the ensuing February 26,1777 (Baltimore) and May 20,1777 issues for signature.

Between 1/4/77 and 2/18/77, Congress sporadically authorized 29 additional men who signed the same extensive range of emissions as the 12/27/76 designees.

The substantial changes in procedure clearly related to the pressures being felt by Congress. On 12/12/76, fear of potential British ~~conquest~~ occupation of Philadelphia caused the delegates to move to Baltimore, where they ~~re~~assembled on 12/20/76 and remained in session through 2/27/77. Congress then returned from Baltimore and resumed full scale deliberations in Philadelphia on March 12,1777. However, the delegates were not confident that they would be able to stay in Philadelphia. Among other potential emergencies, they were forced to consider that their currency presses, paper, etc., and possibly a supply of Continental bills themselves might fall into the hand of the British. Collaterally, it was also obvious that additional issues of currency would be necessary to continue the struggle for independence.

In order to reduce the possibility of any future interruptions in ~~issuing~~ authorizing available signers for currency, on April 21,1777 Congress wisely resolved :

> "That Michael Hillegas, Esq.r ||treasurer||, be authorized and directed to appoint and qualify such a number of additional signers of money as he shall judge necessary, and send to Congress a certificate of such appointment and qualification; and that the said signers proceed on the business aforesaid until discharged by Congress."

History tells us that this precautionary act was prudent. Congress again was forced to leave Philadelphia on 9/19/77, fleeing to ~~Yorktown~~ York Town, (Pa.), where it conducted its business from 9/30/77 to 6/27/78. The Hall + Sellers press was also moved there.

The transfer of the power of appointment to Mr. Hillegas, however, unfortunately resulted in a substantial gap in available Revolutionary War financial records. A significant amount of 2/17/76 fractional Continental currency, plus most of the 5/20/77 issue and substantial, but smaller, portions of the 4/11/78 and 9/26/78

Continental Currency Signers Not Listed in Journals of the Continental Congress

	Initials	Date
Prepared By		
Approved By		

Continental Currency Issue	Signers Not Listed in Journals C.C.
5/10/75	0
11/29/75	0
2/17/76	10 (all fractional currency signers)
5/9/76	0
7/22/76	3
11/2/76	1
2/26/77	5
5/20/77	39
4/11/78	16
9/26/78	8
1/14/79	0

Note: It is possible that the Journals of the Continental Congress, in error, omitted the 7/22/76 and 11/2/76 appointees. There are numerous errors in the printed copies of the Journals. The data for the "Hellegas" group of appointees has been developed from inspection of

Burroughs Ledger Form H556 Buff - Form 6556 Green

Authorization Dates and Issues Signed

	Initials	Date
Prepared By		
Approved By		

(1) Journals of Continental Congress Resolution Dates	(2) Number of Signers Authorized	(4) Issues Apparently Signed by Appointees
7/25/75	28	5/10/75
12/11/75	36	11/29/75
3/9/76	59	2/17/76; 5/9/76; 7/22/76
12/27/76	14	2/17/76 fractionals; 11/2/76; 2/26/77; 5/20/77
1/4/77 - 2/18/77	29	2/17/76 primarily fractionals; 11/2/76 2/26/77; 5/20/77
4/21/77 - 8/7/78 Hillegas Appointees	unknown	2/17/76 fractionals; 5/20/77 4/11/78; 9/26/78
8/8/78	30	4/11/78; 9/26/78
8/11/78 - 8/14/78	11	4/11/78 (by only 2 appointees); 9/26/78
2/23/79	27	9/26/78; 1/14/79
2/25/79 - 5/22/79	9	9/26/78; 1/14/79
5/29/79	9	9/26/78; 1/14/79
7/23/79	11	9/26/78; 1/14/79
8/6/79 - 8/14/79	4	9/26/78; 1/14/79

Authorization Dates and Signers

Dates of Authorization of Signers	# of Signers Authorized	Issues Apparently Signed Under the Authorizations
7/25/75	28	5/75
12/11/75	36	11/75
3/9/76	59	2/76; 5/76; 7/76
12/27/76	14	2/76 fractional only 11/76; 2/77; 5/77
1/4/77 - 2/18/77	29	primarily 2/76 fractional; 11/76; 2/77; 5/77
Illegals - not ICC 4/21/77 - 8/7/78		fractional only 2/76; 5/77; 4/78; 9/78
8/8/78	30	4/78; 9/78
8/11/78 - 8/14/78	11	(only 4) 4/78; 9/78
2/23/79	27	9/78; 1/79
2/25/79 - 5/22/79	9	9/78; 1/79
5/29/79	9	9/78; 1/79
7/23/79	11	9/78; 1/79
8/6/79 - 8/14/79	4	9/78; 1/79

2/3/75

Dear Eric -

Before I proceed to other matters, let me comment on my mistakes.

(a) As so often is the case, you are correct on C. Hiener and I feel foolish. My own retracing of the proper spelling comes up Hiener; not Heiner per my visit to the Mass Historical Society 10/7/74.

(b) You also are almost certainly correct on the North Carolina 1754 8d monogram. The piece I used for identification is a torn piece and it is quite possible that it represents the "muling" of a 1748 and 1754 piece. One thing is certain -- the denomination vignette is exactly the same as on the 1748 note. Only one small mystery

remains. Why would someone (more than 200 years ago) paste together (on a backing) a "muled" 8d note. Couldn't he or she have done better?

Your North Carolina research per the Crop sent this week once again makes me admire and envy you -- you do such a fine job!

My comments are as follows on the non-text items --

(a) 1748 6s Fleur de Lis is the preferred spelling vs Lys.

(b) Per top of p. 2 this letter, I can't support the 8d 1764 monogram

(c) Do you wish to note that the 1756-7 issue has the dates written in by hand (see your illustration) with 17 on 175 7 written in pen over the printed 6 of 1756?

(d) December, 1771 Act -- There, apparently were two plates or more for

As you note →

some of these denominations. Not only is there a "heavily" and "lightly" engraved house in this group, but there also are "heavily" and "lightly" engraved Ship 10s and Seal £ vignettes. "Heavily" engraved does not mean darkness of ink but simply many more engraved lines within the outer outline structure. -- THIS CAN BE VERIFIED -- It's not a mistake.

(e) 1778 (August 8, 1778 Act) Please Accept Armitage; not Amitage -- See the photo I sent last year.

Other than ~~that~~ the above, I have no other comments on the No. Carolina data. However, I and probably only a few other collectors ~~will be~~ are able to appreciate the quality of the text following the 12/29 1785 Act notes. It's

most impressive as just plain hard high quality research masked by a clear and readable style.

My Continental signers research continues and I find that of the 3/9/76 authorization of signers, only one, Joseph Redman signed fractional notes only -- TO MY KNOWLEDGE -- Everyone else signed either whole dollar notes or both whole $ and fractionals. Therefore I suspect whole $ Redman 2/17/76 notes ~~exist~~ -- Any suggestions for achieving a solution?

Could I prevail on you once again to look at your 2/17/76 notes (whole $) of Horatio Johnson and Rinaldo Johnson? They don't fit the pattern. If the Johnsons signed whole $ bills; then it is likely that Samuel S. Coulter and John Taylor also signed whole $ 2/17/76 notes, and

None

Have on mine

pro Johnston #6

I am aware of these latter two signatures only on fractionals.

I hope my short monograph on Continental Signers passes your quality screen. I've sent it to the Numismatist. Any comments would be most appreciated.

Best Always —

Joe

P.S. Someday I'll either learn to type or buy better paper. —

Joe

3/18/75

Dear Eric -

Enclosed find another Counterfeiting indictment relating to a $2 December 1771 note. The name John Rutherfurd struck me as being the correct spelling of one of the signers. Check your own collection again and I think you'll find the check of the September 1772 Court was correct and that it is not Rutherford as currently listed in Early Paper Money.

Among the 5/20/77 signers of Continental Currency, we have both an S Bain #7 #202272 - Newman St Louis collection and a S. Baird #7 - illegible # - Newman St Louis collection and a 5/20/77 #2 #210240 Lasser N.Y. collection. I think your Bain #7 #202272 may be Baird. Please check again. Also on the same note #7 202272, recheck

North Carolina
Salisbury District

At a Superior Court of Justice begun and held within and for the District of Salisbury at the Court House in Salisbury on the fifth Day of September in the twelfth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the third now King of Great Britain and so forth before the Honourable Maurice Moore and Richard Henderson Esquires His Majesty's Associate Justices of the Superior Court of Justice in the province of North Carolina —

The Jurors for our Lord the King upon their Oath present that William Safold late of Saint Martins Parish in the County of Mecklenberg within the District of Salisbury Labourer being a person of evil Name and Fame and dishonest Conversation and devising and intending to deceive and defraud the liege Subjects of our said Lord the King by feloniously counterfeiting the public Debenture Bills of Credit of this province on the twenty seventh Day of August in the twelfth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the third now King of Great Britain and so forth at the parish aforesaid in the County aforesaid in and upon a certain piece of paper did feloniously counterfeit ~~a certain~~ the likeness and similitude of Pounds Debenture Bill of Proclamation Money struck by virtue of an Act of Assembly passed in December in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy one chargeable on the public Treasury for the sum of two pounds the Tenor of which said counterfeit piece of paper is in the words and figures following "Two pounds No. 4290. (numbered fourthousand two hundred and thirty) The province of North Carolina is indebted to the Possessor hereof two pounds proclamation Money to be paid out of the public Treasury according to Act of Assembly passed Decr. 1771 (December one thousand seven hundred and Seventy one John Rutherford John Harvey Richard Caswell Lewis Henkofer being in the likeness and similitude of ~~a two pounds proclamation Money~~ Debenture Bill of Proclamation Money as aforesaid, which said ~~two pounds Debenture Bill~~ piece of paper ~~[illegible]~~ in the Tenor of a Debenture Bill for 2 pounds as aforesaid ~~said~~ the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do say that the said

No. Dec. 1771

John Rutherford

Rutherford

William Saffold did aforesaid feloniously counterfeit contrary to the Form of the Act of Assembly, appeared in such Case made and provided, and against the Peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity.

Alex Martin DAG

Alexr Bell
Alexr Osborn

The King
vs
William Saffold

Ind.t Counterfeit Money
&c

Salisbury Sup.r Court
Ninth Jan 1772

Bill for Sequestration

Ford
Richard Daniel
Robert Burns
Jam Wilkie
Simon Ebert
Ed Abbott Ch

[illegible]

2/26/75

Dear Eric –

Your New York researcher has reached the frantic schedule stage. I'm trying to get all my portfolios completely set up, corresponded to, and billed by the end of next month – – then Indonesia and Bali – – so please bear with me, if I sound hurried; it's only because I am.

Before anything else, Thanks so much for the sweet and most valued gesture of sending on the Bank of New York 1819 #3. You are just great. Much, much appreciated and it will be long remembered

Now to some research data

(over)

Add to the Counterfeit (Currency) list the following data

Daniel Clymer 5/9/76 ✓

T. Jones 4/11/78 - Counterfeit ✓
- seen on counterfeits only
Mordecai Lewis 11/29/75 ✓
James Little 4/11/78 ✓
Samuel Morris 5/10/75 ✓
Jonathan B. Smith 11/29/75 ✓

Phil Keller sent me all of these data. He has these bills and they make sense. It completes all the logical signegs of 5/10/75 and 11/29/75.

Maps for the Pennsylvania gallery

March 25, 1726 - Even Owen -
-- The conventional spelling is Evan but I don't have a specimen
(Note Evan Morgan June, 1729 -- where is the logic? -- 1729 preceds 1726 in the gallery)

May 1, 1760 James Wharton
(-- no Jr.)
Joseph Wharton Jr
Richard Pearne --
not Richard Purne --
(no correction needed,
you already have Pearne)
Richard Wister or Wistar --
Please check again --
I now believe its Wistar
Source: ~~per~~ Appletons Cyclopaedia
of American Biography
Vol VI p. 582

Daniel Wister, however
also seems correct.
The family was of German
origin and spelled
its name both ways

He signs
Wister

March 20, 1771
Robert Strethell Jones;
not Robert Strethle Jones -
-- also a signer of Continental
Currency authorized 7/25/75
-- where the Journal-keeper spelling is an
error -- correct spelling
should be in my Greenfield
Village data

Webster's
Collegiate
Dictionary
9/27/75
uses annulment

Bank of No. America P2 line 2
Should annullment be annulment?
- the latter seems better to me.

2/28/75

Dear Eric -

In haste, please add -

J. Billmeyer 4/11/78 ✓
D Griffith 2/26/77 ✓
already had it Sam'l C. Morris 5/9/76
J. Rowan 4/11/78 ✓
Wm. Shee 7/22/76

He means Walter Shee

Enclosed also find xeroxes
#6 T. Sweeney 5/20/77
#40 T. Jones 4/11/78
Counterfeit

Have a Good Day -

Jack

P. 265 B - Bank of United States
¶ 1 line 1 Sponsor ? sponsor
¶ 1 line 7 (1816-36)
last Line Keane should be Kean -
- all historical data including
the Bio. Dict of the American
Congress use Kean -

That's all for now -

You are Super!!

I don't believe I
could ever hope
to match your
scholarship and energy

Best Lee

3/4/25

[illegible] Joe:

[illegible] and report [illegible] I can report by phone.

Enclosed is a miserable $50 7/20/78 with K [illegible] I think. What do you think

I believe Snowden is W. Colston, J. Condon, etc on cfs.

You used Wm Shea. I guess you meant Walter Shea (– you last letter note)

Enclosed is E.C. + Vt. Please send Penna, N.C. – the others you get to Miles. He will give them back to you

Also enclose list I am developing as to numbers of people [illegible] contributors [illegible] from your summary and may be further adjusted

Best [illegible]

Hope you child is OK.

[illegible]

Returned 6/18/75

4/8/75

Dear Eric –

Enclosed find a Jonathan & Read note.

I believe you are using Jonathan for Jno now. Is that correct?

This is the 5/22/79 appointment.

Careful inspection of the note confirms the final downstroke in the "a" of Read.

More importantly, I think I inadvertently omitted Thomas Morris II. All my lists to you, he should read as follows: – (over)

6/17/78

Dear Eric -

First, let me thank you for dropping in last Thursday. I'm sorry the weather couldn't have been better for you. It was good to see you and spend a few minutes chatting. You give me quite a lift, because you're anyone who what you do so thoroughly.

Enclosed find my comments on the Continental Congress section. I hope that it's helpful. Check your Congress Journals - I think you'll find the correct on my Baltimore dates - but you have certainly made the data contained in my little monograph clearer and better in your presentation.

I'll get to the J. Wilson signature in the next few days. Do you have a duplicate Gunning Bedford in your series. If you do, I'd like to purchase it; that would

CC 9/26/78

be my most favored solution to achieving my objective of getting a Numismatist article ready on the 12(?) members of the Continental Congress who signed Continental Currency. Otherwise, could I borrow a Bedford specimen, and photograph it for verification purposes.

That's all for now.

Best Regards to You

As Always

Jack

June 1975

Continental Currency

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	CC	present text	suggested
5/10/75	~~Dates~~		
✓	line 2	June 22-3	June 22-23
✓	line 8 starting 4th word	been previously developed	previously been devel

2/26/77 According to my copy of the Journals of the Continental Congress, the Baltimore session was adjourned February 27, 1777, the last ~~action~~ item for the day ~~starting~~ stating "Adjourned to ten o'clock on Wednesday next, to meet at the Statehouse in Philadelphia." Congress then met and adjourned on a day-to-day basis ~~[illegible]~~ in Philadelphia from March 4th to March 12th and resumed the session on March 12th.

Possibly my Journals are different from yours, I know various editions differ, but I think you should recheck your line 2 stating "where the Continental Congress met from Dec. 20, 1776 to Mar 4, 1777" — — — and I don't know how to handle lines 5-6 "because the Continental Congress returned on March 5, 1777

for Consistency

1 A

5/10/75 - should all of the numbers, except # denominations be spelled out rather than using numerical symbols

line 9 - 8 and again line 9 - 8

line 10 - 8

line 4 - 13

2/17/76 line 4 - 12

Redemption of Continental Currency

line 17 Substantial amounts of Continental Currency ~~was~~ were

line 19 the rights of currency holders ~~was~~ were

1782 - 1787 Indents

My 1785 $2 indent is watermarked "INTEREST" laterally across the center of the note. You may wish to comment on this.

3/8" INTEREST 3 1/8"

Signers -

				Add
Howard, John	3/9/76	2/17/76, 5/9/76, 7/22/76		4/11/76
Mackubin, Zachariah	2/7/77	11/2/76, 2/26/77		2/17/76
Massey, Samuel	3/9/76	2/17/76, 7/22/76		5/9/76

Summary of number of Signers

	Present Text	Correct
12/11/75	~~37~~	36 ← I goofed in my data to you
Hillegas Appointees	52	51
Probable	6	7

The Hillegas structure above is inconsistent in the respect that

Grier, G
Luy, Wm } are listed by you as "probable" because they only signed 2/17/76

Then shouldn't McAlester, John be shifted from "Hillegas Appointee" to "Probable Hillegas Appointee"? — he also only signed 2/17/76

I would love to argue that all the 2/17/76 [redacted] unlisted signers were Hillegas appointees — but I know your exacting scholarship won't let you

do it. You are absolutely <u>superb</u> in your standards.

Best Always,

Jal

P.S. You'll have to cut the total appointments by one signer -- my error as set forth on p. 3

Jal

Hillegas and Hillegas Probables

(58 = 51 + 7)

Alexander, Charles
Baird, Samuel
Bollmeyer, J.
Bryson, James
Brown, G
EPN Probable Buchanan, R.

Budd, G
Christ, H. Jr
Claypoole, J.
Coale, W.
Cranch, N.

EPN Probable Dorsey, C.
Eichelberger, George
Elms, S.
Ewing, T.
Eyres, Henry

Eyres, Richard
Garrigues, J.
EPN Probable Grier, G
Hahn, M
Hiener, Caspar

Hernandez, C
Hopkinson, T.
Houston, J.
Irwin, Robert
Kean, J.

Kurtz, Peter
Lester, G.L.
Lewis, C.
EPN Probable Lux, Wm
Mahon, J.

Shud be EPN Probable McAlester, John
McCalister, A.
Mitchel, C.
Monegan W.
Muir, F.

Paisley, I.
Parr, C.
Peters, T.
Reintzel, D
Ross, James

Rothrock, J.
EPN Probable Russell, T.
Ryves, E.
Scott, Wm
Shoemaker, Charles

Short, J.
Smith, R.
Spear, Wm.
EPN Probable Stewart, D.
Summers, D.

Sweny, T.
Wade, F.
Warren, Thomas
Watson, J.
Wister, Joseph

Wright, John
Young, Moses (& 2/23/79)

6/27/75

Dear Eric -

Here's the 4/26/78 J. Wilson note. As I indicated, I will trade it for the Bedford note if you wish, because I would like the Bedford signature.

I'll try to get in touch with my Highland, NY collector on the Connecticut note. He's the one who

(over)

had the Virginia indictment
note the counterfeit attached.
Maybe I'll be lucky
Sorry we didn't get
together this trip. I see,
as I left this morning,
that my elder daughter
already has arrived home
— probably quite late
last night, because we
meant to sleep at
3 and she hadn't
arrived by then.

Best —

Jack

7/15/75

Dear Eric -

The past week has been a shambles with the completion of new funding for the insurance companies whose investments I manage; the visit to our home of our host and hostess in Indonesia; the collapse of a daughter's car in Boston etc. etc; so I haven't been able to sit down and write to you.

First, let me thank you for the Bedford signature. You'll have to ascertain with its Bedford Sr or Jr. In either event, I am most pleased to have it in my possession and I am much in your debt.

Second, you were right again - you indicated that I had the N.C. April 1, 1776 #16 Cornucopia in my possession. I had not remembered that I received it from Dick and had traded it (after paying Dick $300) to my High Point, N.C. contact for another N.C. piece of the series --

the $7/2 Eley. I am trying to arrange for its return (Cornucopia) once again via trade, and if I'm successful, I'll forward it you; then possibly, we'll go through another trade. Life is complicated, isn't it.

Third, the John Reed CC note I sent you became John Read when observed under "black" light; so we haven't added a new signer to the CC List. Back to Square #1, I've goofed again.

The 6/22/75 and 2/17/76 Albany note signer is Samuel Stringer not Stinger per Appleton's Cyclopedia Vol I p. 719. An Albany physician, Dr. Stringer was surgeon general for the Northern Department of the Continental Army.

The (proper spelling of) North Carolina signer of the 8/21/75; 1778 (8/8/78 Act) and 1780 (8/8/78 Act) issues is Richard Cogdell not Cogdill as is now indicated in EPMA. Both Ashe's Biographical History of North Carolina Vol II pp 64-66

and the Dictionary of American Biography Vol. IV p. 270 show the Cogdell spelling; not Cogdill.

I'll be going down to Princeton on Thursday and, among other things, will drop in on their library to recheck the A. Boyson and/or S. Boyson or J. Boyson CC signature on a note they have. I have no record of a Boyson note, although he was authorized by the CC 8/14/78 —

That's all for now. Once again, thanks for the Bedford CC note.

Best

Jack

P.S. Enclosed find xeroxes on the Albany 2/17/76 note and three early New Yorks I recently acquired.

Jack

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

7/25/75

Dear Eric –

Enclosed find Knopes on my last 7/1/09 and 7/20/11. You are welcome to use any you feel are satisfactory.

Best –

Joe

P.S. I'll be in N.Y. next week. Keep your fingers crossed

7/21/75

Dear Joe —

Your letter of July 15, 1975 has been duly read. Thank you!

Your cornucopia of N.C. didn't elude me as you can see. I just never had the chance to get it and now perhaps I do. I would have traded you a #7½ NC for it and thrown in one of my grandchildren for a week.

Your 40 sh NY 1711 is welcome to be a picture in my book if you wish. My picture has the first signature missing a few letters and is pale. Have you a decent Xerox machine to make a pretty copy, then don't fold it or draw a lines in red to point out that Ford is spelled strangely. I already included that detail. I'm having fun.

So go to your vault and get the item.

I am still writing like crazy

Vic

9/22/75

Dear Eric —

Bear with me, I'm on my way back from Toledo after visiting with Owens-Illinois. The company (OI) is doing well.

I've renewed my "reader" card at the New York Public Library and have been delving into the autograph and document aspects of the Emmet Collection in order to research properly some of the colonial and Continental note signatures. Basically, I've been dissatisfied with my own work in some areas and ~~with the~~ generally with the assumptions that a number of catalogues have made in "identifying" currency signers.

The Emmet collection is a marvelous original source. The currency aspect has over 3,000 colonial and Continental notes as you know, but the autograph and document collection totals over 10,000 pieces, ~~neatly~~ neatly identified and

catalogued, so it makes me happy as a June bug.

Here's what one day's work with the collection has taught me

(1) The following members of the Continental ~~[illegible]~~ -- Congress and only these men for certain signed Continental Currency

a. John Bayard - properly called Col. John Bayard -- a number of members of the family were named John

b. Gunning Bedford, Jr - signer of the Constitution, but Gunning Bedford Sr (an uncle) became Governor of Delaware

c. Daniel Carroll

d. Matthew Clarkson

e. Joseph Gardner

f. Samuel Meredith

g. John Williams

h. James Wilson (more on this later)

i. Jonathan (Bayard) B. Smith)

The John Howard signer of C.C. is not John E. Howard, famous general, gov of Md, and member of the Continental Congress

the signer of Continental Currency,
signed J ← the squared part of the "J" is distinctive
and Howard ← the "d" with the high ending loop is distinctive and consistent

the Genl. John E Howard
signs his "J" and final "d"
↖ rounded loops
↑ downstroke ending the letter

the John Kean Currency signer
makes his "K" letters as
a "V" with a subsequent
new start "ean" to make
"Kean" — peculiar, but
once again, distinctive.
By contrast, the member
of Continental Congress and later
Cashier of the Bank of the U. S.
makes his "K" as a straight "I" plus
an adjacent "ʔ" to make
"Kean"

more
↓

The jury is still out on Thomas Smith. I want to bring more of my notes in for comparison

AND NOW TO JAMES WILSON

I have reached my ~~45th~~ 46th conclusion as to which are the real signatures and which are Joseph Wilson. There are four documents in the Emmet Collection and they lead me to this conclusion that James signed his letter "J" as if it was an "I", that is he signed

"J"

sometimes his "W" finished in an ending flair

"W"

sometimes it didn't per the documents. Sometimes it was (possibly) "J. Wilson" as a full signature and most often the ~~same~~ "Jas Wilson" version

By contrast Joseph Wilson signed his "J"s

"J" ← ~~closer~~, making the ~~two~~ upper and lower loops cross each other and, often crossing the downstroke

In summary. I would put the probability of J Wilson as a version of James autograph

The amanuensis for James, rounded the ~~Ton~~ base of the "Win
"W"ilson, while both James and
Joseph put two "VV"s together,
"W"

Finally, I regret, but Joshua Barney now looks like John Barney to me, and I'd throw out the Appleton Encyclopedia confirmation of Joshua if I were you.

Then, I also would not accept Jno as Jonathan but ~~only~~ as John despite Walter Breen's opinion. The Emmet collection identifies Col. John Bayard who signs as Jno and whose signature matches examples of currency -- and Jno Williams is also identified as John, not Jonathan Williams. It may be that the Jno abbreviation was used by both "Johns" and "Jonathans" but the Emmet material certainly makes "John" proper and correct in the instances I've-

seen thus far.

I received your Hopkinson note and the S.C. reprint on Monday, just before I left for Toledo and I thank you for trying to meet my trade request, however, the Hopkinson note is not of exhibit quality as I had hoped (it's of lesser quality than the rarer Cornucopia) and so I'm returning it. Two will be coming up for auction this fall and if you don't have a Hopkinson duplicate of better grade, possibly I could trade for a New York 9/15/55 with a Philip Livingston signature. Such a note would meet the rarity factor of the Cornucopia and recognizing the typical state of such New York notes, some compromise could be made for quality, if the signature is adequate.

I hope that all the remarks preceding is of value. As

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

9/25/75

Dear Eric -

Whoops!

I was so tired during the writing of my last letter, I failed to enclose the last page of Theo.

soon as my stroke is repaired, I'll send you photos of the signatures involved @ the N.Y. Public Library gave me permission to do so. -- Peerless Camera has had the $ -- - stroke for the past three weeks -- it's the third time this year that it's been in for repair.

The Green "Morton" catalogue not only has "goose fat" in it, it simply is badly researched and, disturbing, as a consequence. ~~[illegible]~~ I don't know what Walter uses as his research sources; they're not adequate or accurate

Here we go to land; so I'll close

Best Always
to you —

Joe

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11/1/95

Dear Eric –

Here's the authoritative Commentary on Nicholas Salmon – The Programme gives small vignettes on each of the Constitution's Signers

Best –

Joel

the Constitutional Convention he played an important part owing to the desire of General Washington to take part in debate upon the floor. The latter asked Mr. Gorham to take the chair while the body was in Committee of the Whole. For three months the Massachusetts delegate proved himself an efficient, firm and temperate presiding officer, and justified the trust reposed in him by the great Virginian. After the work of the Convention was over Mr. Gorham did good work in securing the adoption of the Constitution by his own State. He was elected a judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and retained that office until his death on June 11, 1796.

NICHOLAS GILMAN.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

NICHOLAS GILMAN.

THE youngest member of the Convention was Nicholas Gilman, of New Hampshire. He was born in 1762, and was a son of Nicholas Gilman, State Treasurer of New Hampshire. Mr. Gilman, though but 25 years of age, impressed himself upon his colleagues in the Constitutional Convention by his grasp of the questions involved, as well as by the fervency of his patriotism. He was at that time a lawyer in first-rate practice in his own State, and is said to have been one of the best in the country. Those who saw him for the first time, thought him only a boy. His face had none of the hardened lines of mature manhood, but when he took part in conversation or in debate everyone was surprised at the comprehensive knowledge and sound sense displayed by this youthful son of the Granite State. A mere child at the time when the Revolutionary Rubicon was passed in 1776, he had about him none of the traditional feelings of a man who had once owed allegiance to an English King. He represented Young America in what may now be regarded, in the light of results, as the greatest of all the deliberative bodies whose sessions are mentioned in the world's history. Mr. Gilman was elected to the First Federal Congress, and served in the capacity of Congressman till 1797. In 1805 he became United States Senator, and held that position until his death, which occurred at the age of 52 years, on May 2, 1814.

12/22/74

Dear Eric –

Hope you enjoyed the holidays. I've been reviewing two items while you were away, and have concluded

(1) You are absolutely right about the 3/9/54 North Carolina Issue. I now believe that the following are the designs on the low denominations –

4d (1) Puma, (2) Key, (3) Monogram

8d (1) Moth, (2) Denomin Circle, (3) Wild Boar -- the (4) th design, if there is one, is the "Walking Bear" my North Carolina man has "seen" at Old Salem

1sh (1) Swan, (2) Seated Bear with Denom, (3) Monogram

Collaterally, I'd like to know whether or not you have ever seen a 30 sh of the December, 1768 North Carolina issue. I have a gut feel it doesn't exist, but I wouldn't bet a penny on my supposition. I know my guess is not logical because it would make a seven denomination issue.

(2) My conclusions as to the 2/17/76 fractionals is that I can only apparently prove that they were signed at

three different times
-- not four probable as I thought
might be the case --
Here's some data on the
subject:—

a. All the signers of the
2/17/76 issue that I
have found have signed
either the full denom $ bills
or the fractionals
none signed both

b. The primary group of signers
of the 2/17/76 issue were
authorized 3/9/76 -- both
for the full denoms & the fractionals

c. Apparently, the 3/9/76
JCC authorization also

produced the primary list of signers for the 5/76 issue (42 came from the 3/9/76 ~~issue~~ authorization) and the 7/76 issue (35 came from the 3/9/76 authorization). Additionally some 29 of the 3/9/76 authorized signers, signed both the 5/76 and 7/76 issues and the 2/17/76 issue. The 29 are included in the 1st and 2nd totals relating to 5/76 and 7/76. There is substantial overlapping.

d. A group of the fractional currency signers authorized between 12/27/76 and 2/18/77. They

signed full $ denominations of 11/76 and 2/77 issues, and No earlier issue.

e. Another group of signers of the 2/17/76 fractionals, are among the signers (seemingly) authorized between April 21, 1777 and 8/8/78 by Michael Hillegas. Their names are not among those listed in the Journals CC but they (7) signed the 5/20/77 issue and, of these 4 (four) signed the 2/26/77 issue also, while (1) Peter Kurtz also signed the 4/..78 issue.

It is possible, but not provable that the 4 men who signed the 2/26/77 issue and the

5/20/77 issue in addition to the fractionals, signed at an earlier time than the two men who signed only the 5/20/77 in addition to the fractionals and the one man who signed 5/20/77 and 4/11/78 (Kurtz) in addition to the fractionals.

f. Finally, there are three men who, to my knowledge signed only 2/17/76 fractionals. I don't know at all where they fit it into the calendar

Best - Joe

P.S Obviously, I'm still confused on the fractionals -

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

3/24/75

Dear [illegible] =

I'm trying to
[illegible] many [illegible] of many-
things [illegible] to be [illegible]
[illegible]; as I haven't replied
[illegible] and on the CC
[illegible]. I think what
you've done is excellent
but I believe you
should consider the

8/23/75

Dear Eric —

I have been struggling with the signatures on the #6 4/1/78 Gill (xerox) now since its arrival. For the life of me, I cannot come to a satisfactory conclusion even as to the first signature — and my reading and available references on the Revolutionary period don't help.

(1) The first signature appears to start with a WL that are attached. I think we can be fairly certain of these two initial characters. The third letter is either an "e" or an "i", but I haven't much confidence in making a selection between the two letters without actually seeing the original CC itself. If the 3rd letter is an "i", it would seem unusual ~~for~~ that a man with such a firm signature and such care for clarity of lettering would not dot the "i". But no dot is visible. The upsweep

at the end of the third letter, leading to the ~~[illegible]~~ next downstroke, ~~[illegible]~~ makes me believe the fourth (4th) letter is an "m", but, once again if the actual bill shows the following, it could be a pair of "s"es and the whole picture would become

N L ~~ssier~~

N Lessier with an extra final down sweep ~~of~~ on the "r" fooling me into believing it ~~is~~ is an "n". In other words I would love to see the ~~[illegible]~~ bill before coming to any firm conclusions.

The ultimate key, I think is whether or not the signer's ~~[illegible]~~ pen ~~[illegible]~~ on the 4th letter rolled to form

ss (a pair of "ss"es)

or simply proceeded ~~[illegible]~~ upward from a straight downstroke.

m to form an ("m")

and then we could begin to wrestle with a logical surname from Revolutionary historical reading.

(2 The second signature is hopeless. The xerox is not clear enough to make any determination. However I suggest that you look in your collection for your 5/20/77 #8 #217297 note which has the S. Bryson signature. In that way, you may be able to make a satisfactory comparison.

Thanks for the xerox of the counterfeit. Undoubtedly, I'll find it most useful. I'm beginning to develop a large enough file of signatures on CC bills to be able use it as an additional research tool; so all new signatures on bills and in fact any xeroxes on any Continental or Colonial bills will be welcome.

Finally, I would like to trade the enclosed Cornucopia note for either (1) an adequate Lyman or Hall or (2) a Hopkinson and a Randolph in adequate condition.

If you have an more xerox of galleys that you'd like me to work on, I'm once again, getting clear to do that kind of review work. Pennsylvania, unquestionably, is going to be quite complex. To date, you've sent

(1) CC (2) NC (3) Vt

(there has been a 20 minute search just now in my office, looking for the file in which I put the above material, but I can't find it)

plus one or two more; so I'll have to leave the determination of what I've seen, completely in your good hands.

Cordially —

Jack

P.S. If you know where I might locate a Kenneth Scott Counterfeiting in Colonial America, I'd appreciate the news. Thanks — Jack

12/24/75

Dear Eric —

Here are some more signature items

Add

✓ Mass 6/18/76 #2 #6426 T. Dawes my note

✓ N.H. 4/29/80 #7 #2554 Nicholas Gilman on Bicentenary "

✓ Connecticut 8/8/77 4d John Brookes not John Brooks (Merkin)

These changes come from a collection now in the hands of Lester Merkin

✓ CC 5/20/77 #5 #105174 Smith A McCalister

✓ CC 4/1/78 #8 # illegible illegible S. Nicholas (new for Yorktown)

✓ Georgia 1776 Blade vignette undated #2 #355 Goodgion; not Goodgrion

✓ Maryland 12/7/75 #3 #1967 Wm Perry & Joseph Bruff as in 8/14/76 issue

NC 5/14/80 #600 # 7697
it comes up again as

Caron and Avery

CC 2/17/76
Andrew Tyhout appears on a
fractional - didn't
record the specific
deacon and #

All are being photosed and
copies will be sent when
they are ready -

Hope you had
a Good Holiday -

Best -

- Joe

11/25/75

Dear Eric -

Here is one of my
worksheets. It produces
a consistent pattern of
2/17/76 fractional signals
except for Horace Johnson
and Rinaldo Johnson who
signed both fractional and
whole dividend mailings
although entitled 7/13/77 and
1/3/77 respectively.

(over)

The photos are

from the following

flow of the Hudson site

Best Regards

[illegible]

MEMO FROM

JOSEPH R. LASSER

2/9/76

Dear Eric —

Here are the items. The list of non-attending delegates has been marked up quickly. I will send a fully researched list later.

Best Regards —

Joe

119 Cushman Rd.
Scarsdale, N.Y.
March 7,1976

Dear Eric,

Here's my proposed article on Continental Currency signers who were Members of the Continental Congress. When I chatted with Barbara Mueller of Paper Money about the article, she indicated that she would send it on to you for review and I suggested that the whole procedure would be accelerated if I simply mailed you a copy at the same time that I sent her the original. I hope it meets your standards.

Harmer Rooke has just gotten in a very extensive collection which will be put up for auction either late spring or early summer. There really isn't much distinguished material in it -- although it totals almost two thousand pieces -- but it does have a 2/26/77 $7 Continental signed by John McHenry and Rinaldo Johnson (#4934). McHenry is one of the names we eliminated last summer when we couldn't find either a Journal of CC appointment or a note with his signature. I have photographed the note -- and if you wish, I'll send the photo to you when it is developed.

The collection also has a number of fractionals of 2/17/76 with signatures that I haven't seen on fractionals before.; so I've recorded those also.

Wall Street is in a resting period although the economic data seem to assure us of a better 1976 than 1975.

When will New York entice you northward again?

Cordially,

Pal

From the desk of JOSEPH R. LASSER

3/17/76

Dear Lee -

Here's the McHenry signature. Don't let the "h" throw you. Look for the upper signature of the 11/2/76 note as Philpot but what is the 2nd signature?

Joe

1/6/76

Dear Ric –

This will be a somewhat disorganized letter; so please hang on while we go around the curves.

I

(1) Your Photo Copy of the Signers

Declaration of Indep

a. The list looks OK

b. Do you want James Wilson on 1/14/79 or 4/11/76. I think 4/11/76 is probably the only issue with the genuine. Look at your own note

Even though his sig is on 1/1/79 issue by unanimous 2/3 least it was twice authorized

Articles of Confed

a. Name list is OK

b. John Williams – Signed only 3 issues of CC 2/1/76; 9/26/78; 1/14/79

2nd issue 6/20/80

c. Daniel Robardeau PA 1/1/56 is listed in EPMA under PA 5/1/60. Did he sign any other issues? No

d. Edward Telfair also Signed CC 1/00/75 – p. 95 EPMA

e. Name Matthews should be 5/00/00/56 – 69; 1/4/76 – 5/10/58 – [redacted]

Delegates to Stamp Act Congress

a. Omissions – John Cruger – N.Y. 4/20/56 (not John H. Cruger – NYW) EPMA – See pp 208 and 211 for contrast in signatures

b. Out of alphabetical order – Leonard Lispenard N.Y. 9/5/55

Delete – 5/10/46

c. Robt Livingston, Jr. 5/10/46 is Not Robert R. Livingston 4/20/56 (Stamp Act Delegate) – See Signatures EPMA pp. 206 and 208

d. Thomas Lynch jan mid 03/67, yet for hundreds you use 5/00/00/67 – The 04-05/00/75 were also handdated

Signers of the Constitution

a. Your list is correct i.e. – the key word is signers

b. Others who attended ~~but did~~ the Convention but did not

Sign the document were
George Walton (Ga.)
Abraham Clark (N.J.) (When it came to signatures, I guess he left the room)

No

Edmund Randolph (Va.)
– Possibly, upon way which about time was as additions

c. A William Jackson signed as secretary of the Convention but, comparing signatures, I don't think he's the same as William Jackson GA 00/00/76

✓

d. John Rutledge
SC 7/25/61 and SC 00/00/67 }
– see also his listing under Stamp Act Congress

✓

e. In the Constitutional Signers, have you on (John Blair) reconsideration, redated the VA C3 Act/73 issue to VA 06/01/74, despite the Act's date of 3/4/73 as set forth on p 333 EPMA }

I apologize again
Stamp Act Delegates
Joseph Borden N J 06/09/80?
Should it be stamp that he guaranteed the issue

OK as is

Articles of Confed
Joseph Bryant S.C.
also signed CCS 10/1/75 –
Yale note #2 #G7312

✓

Signers of Constitution
Daniel Carroll Md 00
Signed 11/2/76
NYPub Library #S #60543

Well, that was more work than I thought. I hope you can decipher it.

One item more on the book -- Thanks for the mention of my name helping you. I'm enough of a ham to enjoy the play on a scholarly level. -- Yes, bless you for a moment -- the name is Joseph Robert Lanes not Joseph L. Lanes -- Oh, well -, the world's not coming to an end.

II The New Netherlands material arrived. I remain pleased with what I bought. Lot #604 (Hopkinson Pa 2/20/71) was on another list; so you weren't obligated to pay for it and my check to you was too large by that amount

III The Search goes on.
Here are some comments on the enclosed photos,
a. A $5 CC 5/20/77 brings

?

with it, the signature of Joseph Hiester for the first time.

b. McCalister appears on another CC 5/21/77 — #5 note

c. Samuel Nicholas appears for the first time on CC 4/11/78

d. The name on Conn 10/11/77 should be John Brookes (with apologies for my photography); not John Brooke

e. The Georgia 1776 shows Goodgion, not Goodgron

No

f. The Perry and Bruff on Md 8/14/76

g. A Newhampshire Greed note of 1780 with Nicholas, not John Gilman as guarantor

h. A good Brewerton on a New York Waterworks issue

i. There's Claron again on NC 5/10/80

The return of the Continental photos for my files would be much appreciated

I hope you inspected quite carefully the lot #2 which I bought at New Netherlands 1.e. C.C. 2/17/76 #1/2 — no date; no number but seemingly uncirculated. I've examined it and tested it within my limits and I conclude that it is an unsigned remainder. You list only whole # 2/17/76 remainders in the 1966 edition of EPMA. Should I return my note to you for another look? Or have you satisfied yourself already?

The conclusion that it is a remainder tends to support and also is supported by my earlier conclusion that the C.C. 2/17/76 fractionals were signed at least at three different times.

YOU ARE GREAT TO WORK WITH!!!

Best Joe

P.S. I'm holding the letter mystery signature as R. Joines

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3/21/86

Dear Eric -

The "Signatures" on the letter arrived today. Thanks so much. I'd love, not knowing that the signers of Continental Currency, also were officers of the C.C. Tangentially, I would love to have a xerox of the entire Ellis and Freeman article, if it's not too much trouble.

In my reading about mischief in Biographical History of North Carolina, I came

across the name Willis

Alston, a member of the

Provincial Congress of 1775

and 1776 (the later at Halifax):

I'd far rather not;

I looked at the illustration on

p. 226 and would like to

make the recommendation

that you change the 4/2/76

N.C. from William Alston to

Willis Alston.

Mrs. Murray of Kalamazoo

sent a nice note along

with a check for the $

5/8/76 note. I'll along with

a 1976 $ note will be the Bicentennial

prize at the Kalamazoo Coin Club

A great idea — Now to Come

Best — Joe

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Journals of the Continental Congress
Resolutions Authorizing CC Signers

Corrected 3/21/76

Issues Signed	JCC Resolution Date	Number of Signers Authorized	1	2
5/75	7/25/75	28		
11/75	12/11/75	36		
2/76 5/76 7/76	3/9/76	60		
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9/78 2/79	7/23/79	11		
9/78 2/79	8/6/79 – 8/14/79	4		
		Resolution JCC Authorization Date		

3/31/76

Dear Eric –

As usual, please excuse the paper. I'm on the evening Commuter train.

Yesterday, I had an afternoon appointment in Wash. D.C. so I visited the National Archives and Record Service. My "guide" was Dr. Alan Penny.

We looked at the micro-fiches of the penned original Journals of the Continental Congress of 12/27/76 and 1/21/77. In both instances, the nominees who were stricken from the currency signing lists were deleted in an emphatic manner i.e: ~~[illegible]~~ (sic) not just with a single line.

Dr. Penny's theory is that submissions for appointment were made by Hillegas and the Congress gave its approval, but that a short time later, ~~the~~ Congress withdrew its ~~[illegible]~~ authority on the named individual declined to serve any longer as a

signers of Continental Currency.

I also am having the Archives send me xerox of the citations in the Journals or other documents of the Revolutionary period concerning the signers that have left us with questions. It will take a week for reproduction and I'll write you if any new light actually is shed on the questions that still remain.

Best always,

Joe

[illegible] OF DELEGATES TO THE C[illegible]

✔ Gwinn, Benj. GA	1/82
Hawley, [illegible] NY	3/79
Hichborn, George MA	6/80;5/85
Jenifer, John MD	2/84
Martin, Alexander NC	10/82
Mellen, Benj. MA	1/80
✔ Blair, John VA	6/81
✔ Bourdoin, James MS	6/78
Bradford, Wm. PA	10/7[illegible]
Brevard, Ephraim NC	7/81
Brown, John RI*	5/84;1/89
Canfield, John CT	1/86
Chandler, Geo. RI*	5/8[illegible];1/86
Chandler, Chas. CT	5/84
Chester, John CT	10/87;5/90
✔ Clarkson, Matthew PA	2/85
Clay, Joseph GA	2/78
Cooper, John NJ	2/76
Dalton, Tristram MA	6/82;1/84
Danielson, Timothy NH	10/80;5/82-6/83
Dayton, Elias NJ*	12/78
Dow, Moses NH	6/84
Duffield, Samuel PA	9/77
Edwards, Timothy MS	10/78
Elmert, Samuel GA	1/84
Evans, John DE	11/75
Gardner, Sylvester RI*	3/87
Giles, Howard MT	11/82
Gillon, Alexander SC	2/84
Grantham, Isaac DE	11/77
Gunn, James GA	2/87
✔ Habersham, Joseph GA	1/84
Hathorn, John NY	12/85
Henderson, Thos. NY	11/78
Hillhouse, James CT	5/7[illegible];1/7[illegible];1/80
Hillhouse, Wm. CT	10/83;1/85
Holden, Thos. RI*	5/80;1/86
Johnson, Chas. CT	5/8[illegible];11/84;1/7[illegible]
Jones Gabriel VA	6/85
Jones, Samuel DE	12/83
Latimer, Henry DE	4/84
Lincoln, Levi MA*	2/81
✔ Lowndes, Rawlins SC	2/79
Maxwell, Joseph SC	12/87
McCord, Langdon GA	2/14
✔ McKeen, John DE	1/81
Moore, Nathaniel GA	12/85
Newton, Isaac [illegible]	5/[illegible]
✔ Martin, Alexander NC	1/85
Martin, Luther MD	12/81
Mason, George VA	2/77
Montgomery, [illegible] PA	12/81
Moore, Wm. PA	2/77
Mullenix, Wm. SC	2/84
Mumford, Earl RI	5/85
Neilson, John NJ	11/78
Nicholas, Jeremy NC	12/77
✔ O'Brien, Wm. GA	1786
Osborn, Elias NC	1/84;11/86
Osborne, Benj. GA	1786
Paterson, Wm. NJ	11/83;11/[illegible]
Patterson, Saml. [illegible]	12/81
Payne, Elisha MD	11/81
Pendleton, Nath[illegible] GA	1782
Perry, [illegible]	[illegible]
Phillips, Isaac [illegible]	[illegible]
Richardson, Jas. [illegible]	[illegible]
✔ Rutledge, Wm. [illegible]	[illegible]
Sedgwick, [illegible]	[illegible]
Smith, [illegible]	[illegible]
✔ Spaulding, [illegible]	[illegible]
✔ Stiles, [illegible]	[illegible]
Stone, [illegible]	[illegible]
Strong, [illegible]	[illegible]
Ustick, [illegible]	[illegible]
Wallace, [illegible]	[illegible]
Walker, [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible], [illegible]	[illegible]
Frazier, [illegible]	1/77
✔ Freeman, [illegible]	5/81;[illegible];[illegible]
Trumbull, Jonathan CT	1/81
Walker, [illegible]	[illegible];[illegible];1/82;11/[illegible]
Warren, James [illegible]	10/82
Weatherby, [illegible]	[illegible]
West, Benjamin [illegible]	[illegible]
West, Stephen [illegible]	3/[illegible]
Wolcott, Erastus CT	[illegible];[illegible];1/[illegible]

* denotes not listed in Burnett

David Ramsay listed the following men as attending delegates:
George Atkinson, John Cooper, Samuel Duffield, Paul Frazier.

Mr. Paul Smith, - American Revolution Bicentennial Off.

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	Anderson, J.	[illegible]

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	Bain, S	5/77
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	Barker, W.	7/76 (Acceptable only if CPN OK'S)
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~~8/11/75~~	~~Bass, Robert~~	nominated 8/11/75 per minutes but not appointed 8/7/75
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~~8/11/78~~	~~Bedford, Emmery~~	Nominated 8/11/78 per minutes of CC but not appointed 8/12/78 probably Gunning Bedford who was appted 8/12/78
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8/8/78	Snowden, Joseph	4/78, 9/78
	Spear, William	2/76, 2/77, 5/77
2/23/79	Sprogell, Ludowick (Ludovic)	9/78, 1/79
	Stewart, D.	7/76

3/9/76 8/8/78	Stretch, Peter	2/76
2/23/79	Stretch, William	9/78, 1/79
1/21/77	Stringer, Richard	11/76
5/29/79	Strong, Matthew	
	Summers, D.	4/78
7/23/79	Swaine, Francis	9/78, 1/79
	Sweny, ~~S.~~ (T.)	5/77
2/13/77	Taylor, John	2/76, 11/76, 2/77, 5/77
	~~Thompson, James~~	2/12/76 [illegible]

8/8/78	Thorne, William	4/78, 9/78
3/9/76	Tilghman, Tench	2/76
7/25/75 12/11/75 3/9/76	Tuckniss, Robert	5/75, 11/75, 2/76, 5/76
3/9/76	Tybout, Andrew	2/76, 5/76, 7/76
	Wade, F.	5/77
2/13/77	Walker, James	11/76, 2/77
8/8/78	Walter, Joseph	9/78
	Warren, Thomas	5/77

12/11/75 3/9/76 2/23/79	Watkins, Joseph	11/75; 2/76; 5/76; 7/76; 9/78; 1/79
	Watson, J.	5/77
12/11/75 3/9/76	Webb, William	11/75, 2/76, 5/76, 7/76
12/27/76	Welch (Welsh), George	2/76, 11/76, 2/77, 5/77
2/23/79	Wetherill, Samuel	9/78 1/79
12/11/75	Wharton, James	11/75
3/9/76	Whelen (Wheelen), Israel	2/76, 7/76
3/9/76 5/22/79	Williams, John	2/76, 9/78, 1/79
8/8/78 7/23/79	Wilson, James	9/78, 1/79

8/14/78	Wilson, Joseph	4/78, 9/78
5/29/79	Wister (Wistar), Daniel	9/78, 1/79
	Wister, Joseph	5/77
	Wright, John	5/77, 4/78
8/8/78	Young, John Jr	4/78, 9/78
2/23/79	Young, Moses	5/77
1/14/77	Young, William (See elf)	11/76 ~~2/20/77~~

Signatures found on Counterfeits Only

Name	Issue Date	Denomination and Bill Number	Collection
Bryson, S.	5/20/77	$30 196325	Counterfeit Currency Goes to War
	4/11/78	$7 6820	"
	9/26/78	40 67822	"
Brisson S (Same as above) misspelled.	3/12/78	$40 –	Keller
Carter, R.	9/26/78	$50 4072	Mass. Hist. Soc.
intended as R. Cather			
Cather, M.	9/26/78	$60 58058	Greenfield Village
Colston, W.	9/26/78	50 1388	Mass Historical Soc
Condon, J	4/11/78	40 6134	Keller

Conner, G	4/11/78	not recorded $40		Eric P Newman Collection #6240
Davis, R.	4/11/78	$40		Broadside sent to EPN
Duncan, J.	4/11/78	$40		Broadside sent to EPN
Gutell, R.	9/26/78	$60	19646	Pine Tree Promised Lands Auction ~~Harmer Rooke Auction~~ 4/30/74
Harvey, D.	9/26/78	$50		Mass. Hst. Soc.
Jones, S. ~~intended to be~~	9/26/78	$40		EPNewman Collection
King, John	9/26/78	$60	19646	Pine Tree Promised Lands Auction ~~Harmer, Rooke Auction~~ 4/30/74

this is Lewis poorly written

~~Lemon~~, W.	5/20/77	$30	196325	Counterfeit Currency Goes to War
Salter, Wm.	1/14/79	$80		Eric P. Newman Collection
Walter, D.	9/26/78	$50	4602	Mass Hist. Society
Young, G.	5/20/77	$8	32553	Counterfeit Currency Goes to War

John Mc Henry
Jacob Hart
George Lux
William Lux
Thomas Russell
David Stewart
Daniel Bowley
John Smith
William Buchanan
John Meale
Thomas Sellers
Chas. Wildemon

Lyon
R. Smith
Harris
Hammond

7/25/75 $1.33 for each thousand for numbering + segging

12/11/75 different ink for numbers

3/9/76 Authority for that issue only

12/27/76 no limit. Group of name struck out as per prior page.

1/8/77 named some stricken

1/14/77 named

1/31/77 name

8/8/78 { Nominated by Tie vote
Elected by ballot [illegible]

5/11/78 named

8/14/78 Elected by ballot

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11/2/75

Dear Eric -

I haven't had a chance to write since I actually received the Jamestown Bank note and the New York note for the exhibit. Events just have tumbled out of time each day of the past few weeks at a pace that has kept me from writing to you. Thank goodness, it's begun to slow down this past weekend and become more rational.

First, let me thank you for the James River, Peyton Randolph. It's just right and more. Thanks so much. The New York note is exactly what I've needed too, but Federal Hall has requested the young lady in charge of the exhibition of currency to Washington, D.C.; so, there's a considerable amount of ground that will have to be retraced under the new Wakefield Park officials before the exhibit will get underway. We'll probably not be exhibiting before the latter part of November,

(2)

so if you wish me to return the New York note within the next few weeks -- if the delay of the exhibit inconveniences you I'll do so

The Pine Tree Auction on 10/15 was distinguished not only by the appearance of a number of rarities that have been great sellers but also by the irregularities in the bidding. Little attention was paid to absolute rarity. Condition and "popularity" dominated the sale. A "saved in hand" and a Mass imprint 1734 and drew the Franklin and Rittenhouse notes and the extraordinary North Carolina offering drew responses only when condition was extraordinary. There were some very rare notes as you will know, but only the low denomination 1754s which were almost uncirculated sold for high prices. I was able to buy the Albany 1775 note for only $425 simply because it wasn't in prime condition

(Continued 11/9/75) and a number of other really rare notes went at modest figures. I purchased one note

of the group you were interested in, but at a price above your limit — every one of them did — as you can see from the appended list. Because I exceeded your limit, accept the note as a gift when I mail it in the next few days. It's my pleasure.

You're the most important aspect of this to me. I've finished the galleys and forwarded them to Dick. The enclosed notebook contains many changes, if you think they are acceptable. I found it easier to do it notebook fashion so that you could have a clean set of galleys upon their return.

The only question I really have relate the Epilé and Sarame additions that you have made on 9/14/79 and 9/26/78 respectively. Could I have identification of the Bitter Blanse ? (over)

(4) I [illegible] [illegible] that there [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for ~~[illegible]~~ what [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] admiration for me [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] been [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ for [illegible]

A. I know I've omitted Joshua [illegible] [illegible] John Barney

[illegible] [illegible]

I'm not satisfied with Jackson although he was a great patriot. I think we ought to go back to John

B. I am not certain of [illegible] have told you that the Nicholas Gilman who signed New Hampshire 6/21/75 7/25/75 - 8/24/75 11/3/75 1777 handwritten date

was not the signer of the Constitution or Member CC, Representative Senator etc — I am 75 - 98% sure that the Gilman signer was ~~[illegible]~~ his father. The father was the

corrected OK

Treasurer of New Hampshire at ~~that~~ the time. Please look at your copy of the Constitution and you will see the difference in the signatures — as I think the Chinning monograph should be in error for these facts.

2. Most important are the Montfort and Blake interviews in the December 1971 Monthly Vanda and some description of the Dogwood Dictionary of North Carolina Plants indicating that these men were members of the two factions, North and South — and may be more accurate as to Stanley and Barker who signed a number of the earliest issues.

Please excuse my delay in sending off the accompanying data so tardily. I'll try to make the delay some time in the future. I've typed a copy of my changes and forwarded same with the galleys to Dick P.

Best Regards — Joe

P.S. The Cactus book to Illinois and Rhode Island data are not in proper sequence — Joe

Signers of the Constitution

Gio Washington — President and deputy from Virginia

John Langdon
Nicholas Gilman

Note the "N" as opposed to "N" and the shaping of "man" as opposed to the consistently heavy downstroke "man"

Nathaniel Gorham
Rufus King
Wm Saml Johnson
Roger Sherman
Alexander Hamilton
Wm Livingston
David Brearley
Wm Paterson
Jona Dayton

B Franklin
Thomas Mifflin
Robt Morris
Geo Clymer
Thos FitzSimons
Jared Ingersoll
James Wilson
Gouv Morris

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Lot	Selling Price			
135	170	NH 1775 40 S	$ 110.00	
171	250	NJ 1781 6d	215.00	
174	2500	NY 1711 £8	1,150.00	
225	150	NC 1748 5s	~~85.00~~	105.00
226	225	NC 1748 6s	50.00	
227	140	NC 1748 7s6d	120.00	
236	1200	NC 1754 4d	~~350.00~~	410.00
237	1250	NC 1754 4d	~~360.00~~	430.00
239	2000	NC 1754 8d	~~375.00~~	460.00
259	125	NC 1760 6d	60.00	
266	100	NC 1761 4d	40.00	
268	130	NC 1761 2/6	110.00	
333	160	NC 1773 40 S	125.00	
393	2500	PA 1783 $2	1,550.00	

252	375	NC 1757 £5	325
256	325	NC 1758 40s L	225

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New York

CONNECTICUT

Connecticut 7/12/09

Might the signers be the same as the 7/12/09 monogrammed AR and thereby include Richard Lord and Hezekiah Wyllys who are not named as signers of this issue. ?

Connecticut 7/12/09 Monogrammed AR

there is a ⊙ preceding the 5sh denom ie. .5 sh. – it should be eliminated

Connecticut 5/8/40 – last line is inaccurate. Appears on p. 57 new 3rd ed. and should include George Wyllys as a signer – – see prior edition p. 59 plate note, Therefore, it is the first issue including George Wyllys as a signer – – caused by shifting Connecticut 7/10/33 redated May 1740 on the face and July 8, 1740 on the back from p. 58 of prior edition – – the Connect 7/10/33 redated May 1740 etc. text ~~probably should be deleted~~ Possibly Could eliminate the naming of signers, substituting the final 5/8/40 sentence.

Well shaving.

Too trivial

Connecticut

7/1/75 ~~[illegible] to for a number of [illegible]~~

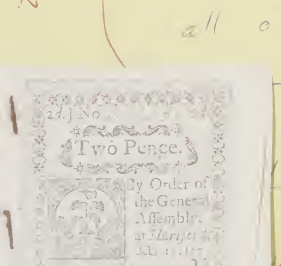
and

6/19/76

You use phrase due _____ line 2

all other texts read due _____ line 2

→ due ON June 1, etc



77 John MacKay as you have [illegible]

or more commonly

John Mackay

Delaware p. 77 line six

October 1726 or October, 1726

Style always is more

Delaware p. 79 – both issues

3/1/58

5/1/58

} Recognizing that you may have wished to save space, did not you really intend to write the values 60 100 200 or should they be 60.00 100.00 200.00 to be consistent?

Had to be cut this way

Make change

Delaware p. 81

6/1/59 line 4 June 1, 17~~8~~3
should be
June 1, 1773

Continental Currency p. 35 line 5 left column
last item $1/9 ← too large; not same type

Continental Currency p. 40

left column last line reads

"nature prints made from ~~[illegible]~~
miniature archery items and"

— — Confusing to me — — could you
use possibly "new nature prints and prints
of miniature archery items" etc.

change to
~~[illegible]~~ and mimeo
~~[illegible]~~ made by
~~[illegible]~~ prepared by process
nature printing process
~~[illegible]~~ cloth, mimeo
using lens
a cloth
background

III

You have omitted 2/17/76 on

Calhoun, James please check to see if you have a 2/17/76 #5 illegible serial illegible no on your roll

OK with you b/ mile w/ 2nd PP45B USC

Epple, Henry - you have a illegible 77 illegible to 9/26/78 illegible

Griffith, John - proper appointment date is 12/27/76 not 2/8/77

Make change

Morris, Samuel C - 7/22/76 should be added per your note #3 #23090

Make change

Pennell (Pennel), Joseph 8/8/78

Add Per JCC authorization

Make change

Read, ~~Jonathan~~ John per Vol XIII JCC p. 631

Make change

Smith, Jonathan B. add 5/9/76 per #3 #14884 Pine Tree Auction April, 1975

Make change

Smith, R. - 9/26/78 should be added per your note #50 #704071

Make change

Walker, James - 2/17/76 should be added #5 your note 1/10/75

Make change

Kuhn, J 5/25/77 Hillegus appointed - New Netherlands has several to be sold in Dec 1/77

Swaine, Francis 9/26/78 You have in addition to 1/14/79 which is only reference I have. Did I fail to record an entry on Swaine for 9/26/78 in my basic book?

Make change

Whelen, Israel - should add 5/9/76 per #7 #19347 Pine Tree Auction 4/28/75

GEORGIA

Georgia - 1769 Lighthouse Certificates
- You have deleted as follows

Noble Jones, Noble Wimberly Jones

Based on Appletons Cyclopaedia Vol. III p. 479
You should have
Noble Wimberly Jones, was the son of Dr. Noble Jones - who (pere) was treasurer of the province and a counsellor of state. Noble Wimberly was a physician (who practiced with his father for a period) speaker of the first Georgia legislature and a member of the Continental Congress (1775-6 and 1781-3)

Make change

I would ~~go back to~~ return to the original Noble Wimberly Jones p. 93 of the text and not use Wimberly Jones

Add

Minor change

Georgia-1773 Noble Wimberly Jones;
~~Noble~~
not Wimberly Jones

both Noble Jones and
Noble Wimberly Jones should
be included

Georgia Oct. 16, 1786
pricing table
V.G

Minor change

6d (25,641) 125,00 125.00

a Comma

Maryland ~~1740~~ June 2, 1740
and
October 1, 1748

Trivial

p.111 6/2/40 – John Bullen

p.112 10/1/48 – J. Bullen – shouldn't it be John Bulle

change to Hammond.

It is Nathan Hammond

Maryland

p. 113 Nathan West 1761 lists signer Nathan Ham_ond

p. 117 7/26/75 lists signer Nathan Hammond

p. 118 8/14/76 " " Nathan Hammond

Without checking, I would favor Ham_ond to fit with the 1733 - 1756 Charles ~~Ham~~ Hamond spelling (assuming the same family)

p. 118 8/14/76 lists signer Richard Tilghman, Jr

p. 120 6/28/80 " " Richard Tilghman

For Journal

It is possible that the death of ~~his father~~ Richard Tilghman, Jr's father took place between 8/14/76 and 6/28/80; but this is the same man — I leave the insertion of Jr up to you.

p. 122 B Bank of the United States 1792 etc

second column top line

should John Swan have indicated term of presidency after his name? i.e.

"Archibald Campbell (1795-1800) and John Swan ( ) served"

Don't know if

Massachusetts

Merchants Notes Nov 30 1733 — Signer

p. 135 You used Jacob Wendel in last note.
Is it Wendell or Wendall? Are
there other notes for the ell
or ell verification?

Wendall change it

June 20, 1744

p. 142 Could J. Jeffries be John Jeffries?
See 1737 Issue signers

p. 145 8/8/75 Ezra Sargent has been
dropped as a signer. Is
this intentional?

Intentional

p. 150 11/17/76 Jonathan Brown has been
dropped as a signer. Is this
intentional?

Make change

OK as is

New Hampshire

p.158 ~~The~~ May 20, 1717 redated 1717

line 6 in item Order – should it be lower case order

p.167 4/3/55 Add signed R. Wibird on a 6 sh #2018

Make change

at the Mass Historical Society – I note in my original research "This note is not redated lower right"

Also, could you check any American Antiquarian Society photos I might have sent you following my 7/22/74 visit – – I noted a D. Warner as a signer on the 4/3/55 New Hampshire issue at that time but was not able to satisfy myself as to my accuracy upon verification. Thus the Warner may be on a redated note. 4/3/55 redated 6/1/56

look up on redated note

p.175 7/3/76 It seems unlikely that the signer shown as Samuel Plulbrick is not Samuel Philbrick

Make change

New Jersey

March 25, 1733

~~Page 11~~

p. 180 Michael Kearny in proposed edition

Kearny is what publication shows

Okay is

In old edition, it was

Kearney -

It is quite possible Kearny, for whom the city was named, had it might be checked.

p. 181 May 15, 1755

According to Phillips -- as you indicate in preceding issues -- the final two signatures ~~are~~ "Alternate signers are Abraham Hewlings and John Smyth" (per Phillips) not Smith as you have it.

Change 5/15/55 and 11/26/56

p. 182 September 8, 1755

According to Phillips Jacob Dehart and Joseph Hollinshead were alternate signers -- should you revert to ~~the~~ style employed in ~~earlier issue~~ preceding issue descriptions for consistency &

No.

New York

p. 305 December 10, 1737

James Roome [illegible] the [illegible] for the coming edition. [illegible] were determined that James Roosevelt was incorrectly taught to be James Roome in preceding edition [illegible]

Roosevelt is an error in my book from Harleys notes

Make change New York City

New York City

Please [illegible]

Make change not Brem[illegible]

see [illegible]

Make change 9/2/75 also 3/5/76 not [illegible]

Ame[illegible]

see [illegible]

9/2/75 and 3/5/76 May I s[illegible] the ribbons [illegible] 4/3 [illegible] will [illegible] read [illegible] translation rather than [illegible]

Make change

New Jersey

March 25, 1733

~~[illegible]~~

p. 180 Kearny is what picture shows. Okay is

Michael Kearny

In old edition, it was

Kearney -

It is quite possibly Kearny, [illegible] for which the entry was made, but it might be checked.

p. 181 May 15, 1755

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Change 5/15/55 and 11/16/56

p 182 September 8, 1755

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No.

New York

p. 205 December 10, 1737

James Roome omitted as a signer in the ~~(corrected)~~ forthcoming edition. Have you determined that James Roosevelt was incorrectly taught to be James Roome in the preceding edition?
-- please note William Roome signed NY 10/20/39

~~Roosevelt~~ Roosevelt is an error. Roome is an error in my book from Hallock notes.

Make change New York City 8/25/74 John H. Cruger not J. H. Cruger (see all other WW issues)

New York City 8/2/75 also 1/6/76

Please accept Brewerton; not Bremerton Jr

Make change

- see appended xerox

Make change 9/2/75 also 3/5/76 etc my photo ~~A.D. Mesier~~ A. Mesier; not William Mercier per American Antiquarian Society 7/22/74
- see also NYS 8/13/76 - verification 1st Sur. Phil. 10/4/74 HAS 7/22/74

9/2/75 and 3/5/76 May I suggest? A look at the ribbons top on the 10 Commandments ~~sides~~ and bottom will indicate the motto should read LEX REGIT ARMA TUENTUR translating to "Law rules, arms guard" rather than reversing the phrase

Make change

Make change

New signature #1/6 # 25052
George Hazard
Van Alstyne — My note

New York 3/5/76

see Photo attached

Jacob Abramse - pes #3/3 Cummet (New York Public Library

not

Abrams

- the spelling with the "e" logically would be accurate as a Dutch name

- also Lot # 213 #1 Elizabeth Morton -- Pine Tree Auction 10/18/75

Make change

3/5/76

Henry H. Kip - note that the two H's are written the same style

not

Henry W. Kip

see Photo attached
new signature
Lot #214
Pine Tree Auction
10/18/75

Make change

3/5/76 #1 # 12475 Remsen & J. Osthout

I asked for a xerox but didn't get it

3/5/76

What happened to Abraham Van Alstyne who was included as a signer in the preceding Edition?

Reinstate

Evert Bancker is the correct form

Make change

9/2/75 Evert Bancker, Jr
and
8/13/76 Everet Bancker, Jr

I don't have the signature, so I'm not sure but I'd guess it properly is Evert

and
6/15/80 Evert Bancker
any Everet Bancker
10/16

Make change

8/13/76 Benjamin Newkerk ; not

Newkirk

references - ~~[illegible]~~ my research Am. Antiquarian Sec 9/2/76
- Pine Tree Auct 10/18/75 Lot 218A

3/13/70 #3 — Please remember to catch the reversed motto

Bank of New York 1784 etc

Make change

Gulian Verplanck
not
Gilian Verplanck

N. Aldridge 1/16/92
is it Fort Herkemer as
is set or is it the present usage

Do not change

Herkimer

— You have beaten me to it again - see p219N

also
Jonathan H. & William Baker
present spelling is Scoharie
not
Scohary — but you're probably using an incorrect old spelling. I don't know which is right.

Do not change

Ditto for Bickwell & Becker

Genesee Co 9/10/70
might the John Knickerbacker
spelling be
John Knickerbocker

Do not change

Make change

New signature #6 A 2 S C 32
George Hazard
A Van Alstyne
My note

/76

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pelling with the "e"
would be accurate
Dutch name
#213 #1 Elizabeth Martin -
Auction 10/18/75
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are written in the same
style

see photo attached
new signature
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10/18/75

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Remove

Evert Bancker

Make change

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and 6/15/80	Evert Bancker	
and ~~7/17/~~ 10/6/6	Evert Bancker	→ Evert
8/13/76	Benjamin Newkerk ; not	

Newkirk

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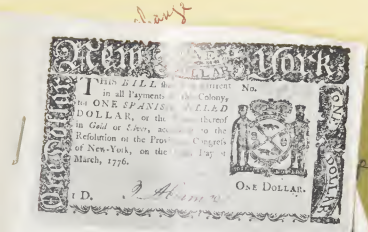

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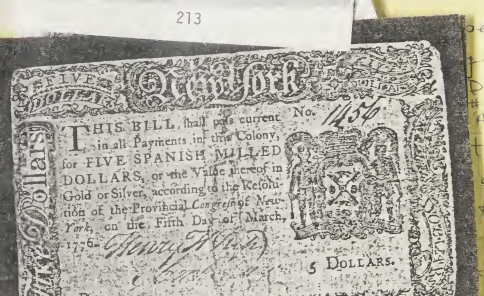

Name changed

New & true Name

George Hazard

Hazard

Why note

#2/3 Emmet (New York Public Library

spelling with the "e" would be accurate

Dutch name

#213 #1 Elizabeth Morton - Auction 10/18/75

that the two are written the same style

see Photo attached

new signer

1. Cathoot lot #214 Pine Tree Auct 10/18/75

I asked for reverse [illegible]

to Abraham

Van Alstyne who was included as a signer in the preceding Edition?

Name changed

Evert Bancker

11/8/77

Name change

Recent proof

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References — ~~[illegible]~~ my research Am. Antiquarian Soc 1/24/
— Pine Tree Auct 10/18/75 Lot 218A

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Make change

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not
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Make change

p. 219 Q City of Poughkeepsie 3/19/41

Peter ~~Tappen~~ Tappen is set
might it be
Toppan

as is
local Dutch
usage

RHODE ISLAND

2/14/1943-4 first installment
p 279 Should you mention
of British Coat of Arms on bill
in Rhode Island Issues ?

change

5/3/75
p 288 You note that Good VG
150.00 250.00
76

6/16/75 values apply, but to
what denominations ?

Leave as is

Rhode Island
12/-/77 — You omit the 4.
The Emmet Collection (New York Public Library
has a reminder similar to the 1777 written dates
and the 1778-9 written dates — the Emmet
note, signed by Joseph Clarke is payable with
6% interest "within Two Years from Date hereof" —
~~Another~~ A note of this issue was #400
in the Pine Tree auction 10/18/75 (see photo).
Phillips (1864) cites the issue (p. 125) and carries
a note (#1) if the 400 lined on 6% rates
Should it be omitted ?

NORTH CAROLINA

p. 227 December, 1777

The stamped name of I Ashe (J.) and the word "Hartford", I believe were really endorsements. John Ashe was the Treasurer of the Southern District of North Carolina and Joseph Montfort was the Treasurer of the Northern District of North Carolina in 1777.

Primary Sources: Biographical History of North Carolina - 1 the 1 Corp. [illegible] Alm. Charles Van Mapper, Greensboro N.C. 1906
Vol. III pp 42-43 for the above data for both
Vol. IV pp 36-38 B. of John Ashe
Vol. III p. 377 for the [illegible] Joseph Montfort
Vol. VI pp 378-9 B. of Joseph Montfort

Modern Secondary

p. 229 April 2, 1776
B 1/2 Number Dog and Target
— Inscription [illegible] carry on April 1, 1776 date B

NO "April 1776"

p. 225 ~~May 18, 1780 — John Carson~~ [illegible]
~~[illegible] 1 [illegible] 11 [illegible] J. W. Carson~~

Modern Changes 11/8/75
I've seen one pie card J. W. Carson and two more J. W. Carson 1 and 1 [illegible] 11 [illegible] 11/8/75
It is [illegible] Pickerseil and Pickerseil
Emma Collection N.Y. Public Library

#25 11/28

Make change

p. 219 Q City of Poughkeep'sie 3/19/91

Peter ~~Tappen~~ Tappen

wrong it be

Tappan

RHODE ISLAND

R 1/14/1743-4

wrong p. 279 Should you mention

of Arms on bill

in Rhode Island Issues?

first

Have as W

2/3/75

p. 288

2/20

2/16/75 You note that Good VG

150.00 250.00

Values apply, but to

what denominations?

Rhode Island

2/1/79 – You want this.

the Emmett Collection (New York Public Library)

has a remarkable [illegible] to the 1777 [illegible]

and [illegible]

[illegible]

67c in

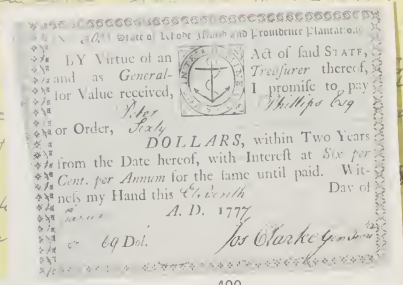
Assume

in [illegible]

Phillips

& note

Sh



(see plate).

5 and carries

[illegible]

PHOTO REDUCED

400

NORTH CAROLINA

p. 227 December, 1771

The stamped name of I. Ashe (J.) and the written name Montfort, I believe are really endorsements. John Ashe was the treasurer of the Southern District of North Carolina and Joseph Montfort was the Treasurer of the Northern District of North Carolina in 1771

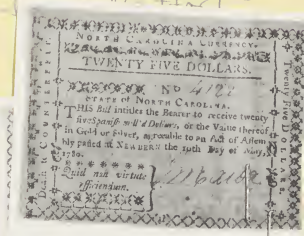
Modern secondary

My Source: Biographical History of North Carolina - Editor in Chief Samuel A. Ashe Charles Van Noppen, Greensboro N.C. 1906

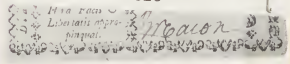
Vol IV pp 42-43 for the above date John Ashe
Vol. IV pp. 36-53 Bio of John Ashe
Vol. VI p. 377 for the above date Joseph Montfort
Vol. VI pp. 376-9 Bio of Montfort

p. 229 April 2, 1776
1/2 Hunter, Dog and Turg
- Doesn't this denom
carry on April 1, 17

No "W.R. 1776" "AP"


NORTH CAROLINA LIBERTY.
TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS.
No 4122
STATE of NORTH CAROLINA.
THIS Bill intitles the Bearer to receive twenty five Spanish milled Dollars, or the Value thereof in Gold or Silver, agreeable to an Act of Assembly passed at NEWBERN the 19th Day of May, 1775.
Quid non virtute efficiendum.
Twenty Five Dollars

325


Libertatis impressum.

322

p. 233 May 10, 1780 - John Caron
Still using J. W. Caron

Make change 11/8/75
I've seen pieces two more pieces J. W. Caron, and it is. We have sent pieces and

Pinto Auction 10/18/75

Lynch Collection N.Y. Pub. Library $25 1928

PENNSYLVANIA

p. 237 Aug 10, 1739 last line left hand column reads

"we do have ~~[illegible]~~ Pennsylvania deliberately misspelled
might then following be better

"which have deliberate misspelling, [illegible]"

1st check

p. 240
p. 241 January 1, 1756
and
October 1, 1755
and
April 21, 1759

There are periods after
Plate Letters A & R

all denominations
However, you do not have
periods after the plate letters
many other also. I wondered
you have periods after
the word Pennsylvania in
in consistently throughout
these pages. The periods
are only on the following

2nd check

10/6/55	10 54	
1/1/56	12 54	Is this intentional or
10/1/56	10 54	an error?

The same applies to a number of the later 10 sh. issues

p. ~~[illegible]~~ 247 June 18, 1764

You have used T. Mayburry this edition
In preceding edition it is T. Mayberry

OK as is

Once again, there is an irregular pattern to the plate letter periods.

p. 265A 3/16/85 You dropped the signature James Glentworth

Make change

I initially thought the signature was Wentworth and so checked it with Dick Hooker who confirmed it as Glentworth, a Philadelphian

SOUTH CAROLINA

p 306 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

VERMONT

VIRGINIA

p. 342 [illegible] July 14, 1860

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Joseph R. Lasser
A.N.A. Convention
Atlanta, Georgia
8/26/77

Signers of
May 10, 1775
Continental Currency

Barclay, Thomas	Merchant	Pennsylvania Navy Board 1777 Committee of Corespondence 1774-5
Barton, Thomas, Jr.	Anglican Minister	Fled to New York 1778 Died 1780
Bayard, John	Merchant	Member Continental Congress 1785-7 Speaker Pennsylvania General Assembly Colonel 2nd Regiment Philadelphia Volunteers Sons of Liberty
Bunner, Andrew	Merchant	Volunteer Philadelphia Dragoons Loan Officer for 1777 Continental Loan Philadelphia County
Clymer, Daniel	Lawyer	Lieutenant Colonel 5th Philadelphia Battalion Commissioner of Claims of Treasury Pennsylvania General Assembly 1782
Coombe, Thomas	Anglican Minister	Fled to New York 1778 Appointed Chaplain in Ordinary to King, 1794
Craig, William	Landowner	Philadelphia Minute Man 5/22/75 Director and Manager Philadelphia Almshouse 1776 Philadelphia Justice of the Peace 10/2/88
Foulke, Judah	Merchant	Commissioner Port of Philadelphia 1750 Sheriff of Philadelphia County 10/3/71 Died 1/24/76

Hazlehurst, Isaac	Merchant	Early Shareholder Bank of North America
Jackson, William	Merchant, Landowner	
Jones, Robert Strettell		Ensign in Chief 1st Battalion of City of Philadelphia 5/10/75
Kuhl, Frederick	Merchant	Member, Council of Safety Member Pennsylvania General Assembly 1784 Delegate Provincial Convention 7/15/76 Trustee University of Pennsylvania 1791
Lawrence, Thomas (III)	Merchant	City "Vendue Master" 1776 (Philadelphia)
Lewis, Ellis	Merchant	Died Early 1776
Lewis, Mordecai	Merchant Shipowner	Member, Fellowship Fire Company An initial Stockholder, Bank of North America
Mease, John	Shipping Merchant	Member Philadelphia 1st troop of Cavalry Admiralty Surveyor, Port of Philadelphia 1796-1826
Meredith, Samuel	Merchant, then Civil Servant	Brigadier General, Pennsylvania Coloniel Assembly U. S. Treasurer 1789-1801
Mifflin, George	Merchant	Deputy to Provincial Convention 1775, Paymaster Pennsylvania 5th Battalion, early in war

Milligan, James	Merchant	Delegate, Provincial Convention January, 1775 Auditor General for Pennsylvania 2/15/81
Morris, Anthony, Jr.	Merchant & Senior Shipowner	Major, Philadelphia Light Horse Troop which served as Washington's Bodyguard in Campaign of 1776-7 Died 1/3/77
Morris, Luke		Port Warden for Philadelphia 1778-83 Director Hand-in-Hand Insurance A Founder of Pennsylvania Hospital, 1751
Morris, Samuel	Tanner, Lawyer Merchant	Vice-President, Council of Safety 1776 Member Board of War 1776 Councillor of the State 1776 Captain of Philadelphia Militia
Nesbitt, John Maxwell	Merchant, Businessman	Paymaster Pennsylvania Navy 1775-1778 Treasurer Pennsylvania Board of War Enlisted City Troop 1777 Bank of North America Founder Insurance Company North America 1st President and Founder
Read, James	Merchant or Trader	Paymaster Pennsylvania Fleet Member Navy Board 1780 Colonel of Pennsylvania Line Director Bank of North America Director Insurance Company of North America Member 1st City Troop of Philadelphia

Roberts, Robert, Jr.		Member 1st City Troop of Philadelphia
Shee, John	Merchant	Committee of Correspondence 1774-5 Colonel 34d Battalion Pennsylvania 1776 Board of War 1777 Treasurer of City of Philadelphia 1790-97
Sims, Joseph, Jr.	Merchant	
Tuckniss, Robert	Trader	Indian Commissioner of the Province of Pennsylvania 1750's

Joseph R. Lasser
A.N.A. Convention
Atlanta, Georgia
8/26/77

Signers of ~~[illegible]~~ Found in the Journals of CC (J.R.L.'s ~~experience~~ Research)

	Initials	Date
Prepared By		
Approved By		

Issue	No. Not Shown
May '75	0
November '75	0
Feb 76	10 (all fractional)
May '76	0
July '76	~~3~~ 0
Nov. '76	~~1~~ 0
Feb '77	5
May '77	39
April '78	~~16~~ 17
Sept. '78	6
~~Sept~~ Jan 79	0
Corrected 3/21/76	

Form 1556 Buff - Form 0556 Green

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3/21/76

Signers Not Shown in the Journals of the Continental Congress

		1st Issues known to have been signed 2/17/76 fractional	2/26/77	3/20/77	4/11/78	9/26/78
	Baird, Samuel			✓	✓	
	Billmeyer, J			✓	✓	
	Brown, Cr				✓	
	Bryson, James				✓	
Wm. Buchanan from scribes 12/27/76	Buchanan, R		✓			
	Budd, G			✓		
	Christ, H. Jr			✓		
	Clay, poole, J.			✓		
	Coale, W	✓	✓	✓		
	Cranch, N.				✓	✓
	Eichelbreager, George			✓		
	Elmes, S.			✓		✓
	Ewing, T	✓		✓		
	Eyres, Henry				✓	
	Garrigues, J.				✓	✓
	Hahn, M			✓		
	Heimer, Casper			✓		
	Herandez, C.				✓	✓
	Hiester, Joseph			✓		
	Hopkinson, T			✓		
	Houston, J.			✓		
	Irwin, Robert			✓		
	Kean, J.			✓		
	Kuhn, J			✓		
	Kurtz, Peter	✓		✓	✓	
	Lester, G.L.			✓		
	Lewis, C.	✓	✓	✓		
	Limen, W.			✓		
	Mahon, J.			✓		
	McAlester, Jno.	✓				
Wm Lux from scribes 12/27/76	XX Grier, G	✓				
	XX Lux, Wm.	✓				
	McCalister, A			✓		
Jno. McHenry from scribes 12/27/76	McHenry, John		✓			
	Mitchel, C.				✓	
	Monagan, W.				✓	
	Muir, F.	✓		✓		
	Paisley, I			✓		
	Parr, C.			✓		
	Peters, T.			✓		
	Reintzel, D				✓	
	Ross, James			✓	✓	✓
	Rothrock, J	✓		✓	✓	
	Ryes, E.				✓	✓

XX – Not In Alphabetical Order

3/21/76

	2/17/76 Bachemal		2/20/77	5/20/77	4/1/78	2/26/78
Scott, W				✓		
Short, J.				✓		
Spear, Wm	✓		✓	✓		
Summers, D					✓	
Sweny, J.				✓		
Wade, F.				✓		
Warren, Thomas				✓		
Watson J.				✓		
Wister, Joseph				✓		
Wright, John				✓	✓	
xx Shoemaker, Charles				✓		

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cause; and return to the states of which they are citizens, their names, and the nature of their offences, together with the witnesses to prove them:

That the foregoing powers be vested in General Washington, for and during the term of six months from the date hereof, unless sooner determined by Congress.

Resolved, That the council of safety of Pensylvania be requested to take the most vigorous and speedy measures for punishing all such as shall refuse continental currency; and that the General be directed to give all necessary aid to the council of safety, for carrying their measures on this subject into effectual execution.

Mr. Hillegas having returned the names of persons ||by him employed|| to superintend the press, and to sign the bills of credit, they were agreed to; and are,

Superintendents of the press: Thomas Harrison, William Smith, and John Merryman, Junior.

Signers of money: ~~John Smith, William Buchanan, William Lux, Daniel Bowley,~~ William Asquith, John Griffith, Hercules Courtney, ~~John Moale,~~ John Cokey, James Kelso, Richard Cromwell, ~~Thomas Sellors, William Wilkinson,~~ James Colhoun, ~~John McHenry, John McLure, Jonathan Hudson, Thomas Russel,~~ George Welsh, Theodore Barrell, Thomas Donnellan, John Boyd, Benjamin Levy, ~~David Stuart, George Lux, Jacob Hart,~~ Samuel Hillegas, and William Govett.

Resolved, That 266 2/3 dollars be advanced to John Griffith, for the use of the sick soldiers in Baltimore; he to be accountable.

The several matters to this day referred, being postponed,

Adjourned to 10 o'Clock to Morrow.

3/21/76

Dear Eric —

I've continued to work on the Continental Currency appointments and signers in an effort to fill in the gaps in my Numismatist article — and I think I have reached a fully satisfactory set of solutions, hopefully in time for you to have a completely accurate compilation in the new EPMA edition.

First, let me review the "holes" in last year's Numismatist:

(1) In the presentation of the table of the number of signers of CC by each issue, there were several unexplained discrepancies. The list looked like this — "Signers Not Listed in The Journals of CC"

	No. of Signers
5/10/75	0
11/29/75	0
2/17/76	10 - all fractional
5/9/76	0
7/22/76	3
11/2/76	1
2/26/77	5
5/20/77	39
4/11/78	17
9/26/78	8
1/14/79	0

Clearly, there should have been a rational explanation for the "non-listed" signers of

7/22/76	3
11/2/76	1
2/26/77	5
9/26/78	8

other than "probable Hillegas" appointees --

Well, here goes --

7/22/76 - 3

(a) Review of the 12/27/76 appointees in the Journals of the Continental Congress shows Thomas Russell! and David Stewart were apparently deleted from the list of proposed signers (see the accompanying xerox). Also please note that it is possible, from the placement of the two names, that errors were made when the printer set type from the penned journals -- and these two names really were not deleted at all -- because ~~the one was~~ the last of one group of deletions and the other was the first of a group.

You will see that the basic 12/27/76 list includes most of the

9/23/76 signers.

As for R (Robert) Smith, the third "not shown" signer in the Journals, he was deleted from the 1/8/77 list of appointees -- also apparently in error.

11/2/76 - 1

(b) Caleb Dorsey was stricken from the 1/21/77 appointment list -- also the same error.

9/26/78 (sic) - 8

(c) Three "not shown" signers are simply an oversight on my part: i.e.

- Charles Alexander
- Richard Eyres
- Samuel Lyon

} all appointed 9/26/78. I missed this in the Journals

- The Lyon omission wasn't especially noticeable because he also was authorized on 2/23/79

(d) ALL of the remaining Signers NOT LISTED in the JOURNALS LOGICALLY were HILLEGAS Appointees - regardless of the date of the CC issues they signed. This includes --

	Hillegas Appointees
2/26/77	5
5/20/77	39
4/1/78	17
9/26/78	6

And, of course 2/17/76 - 10 - all fractional

There are some overlaps. And you will see from the xeroxed table -- quite readily -- where we can expect "new" or "additional" signatures to turn up.

Lastly, (A) bear in mind the following item excerpted from Vol. VI p. 1038 - 12/23/76 - Journals of the Continental Congress -

"Resolved that Mr. Hillegas, the treasurer, be empowered to employ proper persons to sign the Bills which remain unsigned in the Treasury (underlining is mine) and return their names to Congress".

(B) If you can accept the premises:

(1) The five "unlisted" signers of the 2/26/77 issue signed the residue of this issue sometime after 4/21/77 when Hillegas was given the power of appointment -- and prior to the new 5/20/77 issue -- (Please note that W. Coale, C. Lewis and Wm. Spear all signed 2/17/76 fracts, and 5/20/77 also). Only R. Buchanan and John McHenry can't be pinned down further -- However, I think it's likely that we'll see 5/20/77 bills in the future signed by these men.

(2) The Three 2/17/76 fractional only signers (G. Grier, Wm Lux and Jno. McAlester) will be found some time in the future on 5/20/77 or 4/11/78 bills

(3) All six of the signers not listed in JCC's appointments of signers for 9/26/78 signed 4/11/78 clearly implying that they probably simply continued to act upon instructions from Hillegas.

and signed the start of the 9/26/78 issue.

-- Somewhat tangentially, I note that the bill I used to validate Lamar Ross' signing of the 9/26/78 issue is a counterfeit in your collection. It, therefore, also is possible that he did not sign any genuine 9/26/78 notes.

With the above three conditional acceptances in mind, we now have --

"Signers Not Listed in the" Journals of the C.C

5/10/75	0
11/29/75	0
2/19/76	10-all fract
5/9/76	0
7/22/76	0
11/2/76	0
2/26/77	5
5/20/77	39
4/[illegible]/78	17
9/26/78	6
1/14/79	0

I hope the jigsaw puzzle now fits!

An addendum --

My error -- Joseph Gardner was appointed 2/26/79

Please Comment

Best Always --

Joe

P.S. Please note on the large Xerox that three men nominated 12/27/76 and then "stricken" from the list i.e. W Buchanan, McHenry and Wm Lux signed 2/26/77 or 2/17/76 fractionals -- in addition to the above changes --

Again --

Joe

Oct 29 1976

Dear Joe

I have carefully studied 4 examples of the 1762 Conn 40 sh (Some by photo) & believe they are all counterfeit including yours.

Three of them #4535, (Yours) 9627 & 15393 were in the NY Hist Soc.

The other is #11638 from the Conn Hist Soc.

My own piece is too grubby to include.

I can find no difference in any of them which I consider material enough to know what a genuine might look like. On the reverse FORTY is quite distinctive in all of them. On the face Connecticut rises above the base line on the right end. No counterfeiter could copy these characteristics so faithfully.

Do you find any other clues to changing this thinking.

Thanks for sending the note which is returned herewith

Sincerely